

Decatur Weekly Republican.

VOL XXVIII

DECATUR, ILLINOIS, THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 1896.

NO 36.

THE CONVENTION

Republicans Name Hugh Crea and J. Otis Humphrey as National Delegates.

THOMAS N. LEAVITT WAS NOMINATED

Major Connolly Named for Congress By Acclamation. Strong Resolutions for McKinley—The Proceedings.

From Monday's Daily.

The Republican convention for the Seventeenth Congressional district was held this afternoon in the circuit court room at the court house. The delegates were late gathering, and while they met in caucus here and there, the delegates from the outside filled the seats outside the bar. The delegates came from Christian, Logan, Macon, Menard and Sangamon, a total of 58, of whom the 20 from Sangamon were instructed for Cullom for president, the remaining 38, omitting the four from Menard who were uninstructed, being instructed for McKinley.

The convention was called to order at 1:15 by Dr. O'Connor, of Sangamon county, chairman of the Congressional committee.

Secretary C. S. Hopkins, of Macon county, read the official call.

On motion of J. H. Padlock, of Sangamon county, was proposed by H. K. Midkiff, of Macon county, for T. N. Leavitt, of Macon county, for McKinley.

For temporary chairman, Delegate Kinney, of Christian county, was placed in nomination by E. C. Rocco, of Sangamon county. W. R. Baldwin, of Logan county, moved to state that the congressional committee had selected J. W. Kitchell, of Christian county, as temporary chairman and Baldwin placed him in nomination. The ballot on call of delegations resulted in the election of A. T. Kinney by this vote: For Kinney, Christian county, 7; Menard, 4; Sangamon, 20; total, 31. For Kitchell, Logan county, 9; Macon, 10; Christian county, 7; total, 27. Mr. Kinney was declared elected by Mr. Ridgely, of Sangamon county, who put the motion to elect.

He thanked the convention for the honor conferred.

J. Otis Humphrey, of Sangamon county, offered a motion that a committee of one from each county on resolutions be appointed.

R. P. Lytle, of Macon, suggested the appointment of a committee on resolutions.

Delegate Grant, of Sangamon, moved that the names of delegates be handed to the secretary, and that if there were no contests, the delegates be accepted as delegates to the convention. The motion was adopted, after Humphrey had withdrawn his motion as to the committee on resolutions.

Christian County, H. H. Hall, Geo. E. Macon, C. C. Adams, Francis Stewart, C. E. Chennery, J. W. Kitchell, S. C. Wagner, A. T. Kinney, J. C. Heary, C. A. Daze.

Logan County, S. H. Clapper, Z. K. Wood, J. E. Moore, S. L. Wallace, M. Lee, John Parsons, L. E. Vineyard, H. E. Hadden, Geo. Campbell.

Macon County, J. M. Cloney, H. C. Crook, R. P. Lytle, J. H. McCoy, H. K. Midkiff, Francis Miller, George Kraft, D. T. Drake, E. N. Leavitt, E. H. Thomas, O. H. Pugh, C. C. Davis, R. M. Phelan, Oliver Harbert.

Menard County, C. F. Carter, G. T. Deal, Edgar H. Hunt, J. W. Judy.

Sangamon County, W. R. Ridgely, J. H. Padlock, J. M. Grant, Adalbert Hunt, J. N. Reed, J. O. Humphrey, H. Riggs, John Keadon, E. Kall, J. W. Foutch.

W. H. Boardman, F. K. Whittemore, S. C. Culver, C. C. Adams, Francis Stewart, C. E. Chennery, J. W. Kitchell, S. C. Wagner, A. T. Kinney, J. C. Heary, C. A. Daze.

On motion of Delegate Ridgely, of Sangamon county, the temporary organization was made permanent.

On motion of Delegate Wallace, of Logan county, the committee on resolutions was named by the counties as follows: Christian, Delegate Maxwell; Logan, W. R. Baldwin; Macon, J. M. Cloney; Menard, J. W. Judy; Sangamon, P. K. Whittemore.

There was an evident desire on the part of the Sangamon county delegates to proceed with the business in the order of the official call, but there was objection to the effect that the convention had heard the report of the committee on resolutions.

Delegate Wallace's motion that further action be suspended until the resolutions were read was declared out of order at the suggestion of delegate Grant, of Sangamon, who insisted on going ahead in the order of the call.

Delegate Ridgely, of Sangamon, moved that the convention proceed with the business in the order of the call.

Delegate Wallace's motions to amend by taking a recess and then to adjourn for 10 minutes were declared out of order.

Delegate Kitchell of Christian county offered a motion that Ridgely's motion be laid on the table. Lost by this vote: Voting aye: Christian 3; Logan 9; Macon 15; total 27. Voting nay: Christian 7; Menard 4; Sangamon 20; total 31.

The Ridgely motion was then adopted by this vote: Voting aye—Christian, 7; Menard, 4; Sangamon, 20; total 31; voting nay—Christian, 3; Logan, 9; Macon, 15; total 27.

For delegates to the National convention J. M. Cloney placed Hugh Crea of Macon in nomination; S. L. Wallace, of Logan county, named J. N. Schuyler, of Christian county, and Delegate Ridgely, of Sangamon county, named J. Otis Humphrey, of Sangamon county.

Before the vote was taken the gentleman named delivered remarks defining their positions as positively in favor of McKinley. Mr. Crea started the speech making for McKinley. Then there were calls for Humphrey, who spoke of his close relationship to

Cullom, and stated that he would accept the job of delegate to the national convention if instructed to vote for McKinley. "Will you vote for McKinley?" asked a Logan delegate. "Why, of course I will," was Humphrey's reply. Mr. Schuyler made a clean cut, speech declaring himself for McKinley without any life.

National Delegate Vote.

The vote for national delegates resulted as follows:

County	Crea	Humphrey	Schuyler
Christian	3	7	0
Logan	9	0	0
Macon	15	0	0
Menard	4	0	0
Sangamon	20	31	0

After the vote of Christian and Logan counties was stated there was a sudden stop in the proceedings, and after consultation, it appearing that somebody might get lost. Mr. Cloney asked that the report of the committee on resolutions be heard before proceeding further, and Mr. Humphrey pleaded that consent be given. It was so ordered, and the committee retired to make its report. It got through within 10 minutes and presented this report, which was unanimously adopted:

Assembled in delegate convention as representatives of the Republicans of the Seventeenth Congressional district, of the state of Illinois, for the purpose of declaring the choice of our constituents as to the presidential candidate for president, and choosing delegates to the Republican National Convention to be held at St. Louis on the 16th day of June next, we would express our warm admiration for and devotion to Shelby B. Cullom, our honored senator, who has ever been near to the people, voicing their will. The nation was blinded by theory, but three years of practical free trade have brought about a condition that has awakened the people to their right, with righteous indignation, to demand the return to Republican dominion that made possible the prosperity of former years. Lured by the fallaciousness of free trade, they have naturally turned to protection as the true refuge from the ills that afflict. They awakened to the fact that the great apostle of protection was indeed their friend, the friend of the masses, the one above all others who represented a principle that was not only Republican, but American. To him they turn in their necessity and need, and the popular demand is that William McKinley, of Ohio, lead the people in their war on the Anglo Democratic party that betrayed them. As the logical candidate of the people and the times, it is

Resolved, That the Seventeenth Congressional District of the State of Illinois, in convention assembled, in response to the will, and as we believe, the wisdom, of the people, that we heartily endorse William McKinley as our choice for presidential candidate, and that the delegates selected by this convention to the coming National Convention be instructed to vote for him, and that they lend to him their absolute and unflinching support on all questions affecting or involving his nomination, using all honorable means to secure his nomination as the Republican candidate of the Republican party.

Resolved, That we appeal to the Republicans of the State of Illinois, to unite with us in our choice, the vote of the delegation of this state to be cast as a unit in the National convention, for William McKinley for president, so that in case he is at any time withdrawn as a candidate, the delegation may, with like unanimity, place the Hon. Shelby B. Cullom before the convention as the candidate of Illinois for president, extending to him like loyal support.

Then the roll call was concluded as given above and Mr. Crea and Mr. Humphrey were declared elected.

For alternate, J. W. Kitchell of Menard was placed in nomination. J. Otis Humphrey named J. Ed Hill of Logan county and W. R. Baldwin of Logan county named S. L. Wallace of Logan county.

The ballot resulted as follows:

County	Crea	Humphrey	Kitchell	Wallace
Christian	3	7	0	0
Logan	9	0	0	0
Macon	15	0	0	0
Menard	4	0	31	0
Sangamon	20	31	0	0

There was a long consultation between Macon, Sangamon, Logan and Christian county delegates before Macon county's vote was announced.

For elector Delegate Baldwin named H. N. Schuyler, of Christian county, seconded by Delegate Cloney, and on motion of Delegate Ridgely, of Sangamon county, Mr. Schuyler was declared elected by acclamation.

Member of congress, Hon. James A. Connolly, was placed in nomination by Delegate Humphrey, seconded by Delegate Crea. Major Connolly was declared nominated by unanimous vote.

For member of the State Board of Equalization Delegate Crea placed Thomas N. Leavitt, of Macon county, in nomination, and Delegate Kitchell, of Christian county, named R. C. Maxwell, of Logan county.

Before the vote was taken Crea declared in biting words that Logan county thus far had got nothing out of the convention, but had been insulted and disgusted by the convention giving Hill the place. Crea made brief reply. Delegate Baldwin also asked for Logan county recognition.

The ballot for member of the board resulted in the nomination of Mr. Leavitt by this vote:

County	Leavitt	Maxwell
Christian	7	0
Logan	9	0
Macon	11	0
Menard	4	0
Sangamon	20	0

The following are the members of the new committee for the congressional district:

Christian county, George E. Macon; Logan, George G. Campbell; Macon, Harry K. Midkiff; Menard, W. R. Parke; Sangamon, J. O'Connor.

There being no further business on motion of Delegate Humphrey the convention adjourned.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The report of the proceedings of the Republican congressional convention for the 17th district given in these columns last evening did not contain some points of interest, owing to the lack of time, as the hour of going to press was at hand when the convention adjourned. The proceedings were quite interesting

throughout, not only on the main issue, (instructions for McKinley) but also as to the details on the division of honors. Whenever Major McKinley's name was mentioned there was wild applause which continued for some moments.

There was no demonstration when Cullom's name was spoken. It was a McKinley convention to such an extent that Sangamon county was alienated.

And yet the Sangamon county people with the seven votes from Christian and four from Menard they controlled, stood ready to fight instructions. Their plan was to first elect the delegates, and then if instructions came up they were to be voted down. But an important complication arose which served to bring the instructions to the front and forced Sangamon county with her 31 votes to remain silent. It was not expected that Mr. Schuyler would be placed in nomination. He had been stated for elector and it was understood just before the convention was called to order that he had consented to draw off as a delegate candidate. Mr. Crea and Mr. Humphrey had been named, and then Delegate Wallace, of Logan county, named Mr. Schuyler. Before the nominations were made Sangamon county had fought against any movement looking to the introduction of instructions. They sprang points of order, and Chairman Kinney was in accord with them all through the movement. But Schuyler being on the list for delegate brought about a change in the preconceived arrangement and nullified the delegates for McKinley.

Personal Pledges.

The roll call on the vote for delegates was demanded, and it was expected, that the result would soon be known, everybody assuming that Mr. Crea and Mr. Humphrey would be elected. There was an interruption.

Mr. Crea arose and addressed the chair. He said:

"I want to say just a word before proceeding. The committee on resolutions has not yet reported. My name has been presented as a candidate, and I want to say this, so that all may understand it. Macon county has 15 men who are instructed for McKinley. (Great cheering.) I don't know that I care to go to the convention. I have never asked anything of the party and don't know of anything that I want, but I will say this and serve notice on everybody at this time that if I am elected as a delegate to the convention I will obey the instructions and vote for Mr. McKinley. (Cheers.)"

Instantly there were cries for Humphrey and that gentleman at once responded. He said:

"I have been presented as a candidate for this honor. I belong to Sangamon county, the home of our honored Shelby B. Cullom. (Applause from his delegation and hisses from the spectators.) My relations with him for a score of years have been of the closest and most intimate character. He is my friend and in a large degree my benefactor. I am personally acquainted with Mr. McKinley, but the announcement of Mr. Cullom's candidacy left me but one course and that was to place him first in my mind. On that issue we made our campaign in Sangamon county and carried 37 all the precincts. Our instructions for Cullom are as strong as Macon's for McKinley. So much for our relative positions. The other counties had a fair test and decided in favor of McKinley. The district is for him on the record and it is due you that I should say this much, as I can take no other course. If I go as your delegate I shall obey with absolute fidelity your instructions."

"Will you vote for McKinley?" called Clapper of Logan.

"Most assuredly I will," responded Humphrey.

H. N. Schuyler was then called for and he said:

"If I am elected a delegate I shall vote for McKinley, (cheers) whether instructed to or not. I think that is all the convention wants to know. There are no ifs or ands about, or passing instructions after the delegates are named."

After the speech making another effort was made to get the instructions before the convention before balloting began, but Sangamon county through Delegate Ridgely, son-in-law of Senator Cullom, vigorously opposed such action and insisted upon the call of the roll. They would not hear of anything else, and the secretary went ahead. Only two counties voted—Christian, 3 for Crea; 7 for Humphrey, and 10 for Schuyler; Logan, 9 for Crea and 9 for Schuyler. Then there was a scare. Macon was next on the list. What would she do was what Humphrey was thinking about, and Sangamon's course was the puzzle for Macon delegates. Some of the delegates turned pale in a hurry, and they got together to sift the situation. Crea and Humphrey both were scared, and had one of them been left out there would have been a good-sized row in the camp. It was a trying time and there was only one way out of the mix to defeat Schuyler, and that was to get the instructions before the convention at once. And quite magnanimously Sangamon county through Mr. Humphrey withdrew objections to the presentation of instructions, and the committee retired in a formal way to bring them in. They had been prepared in advance and they read by Delegate Cloney. They went through by unanimous vote, and then the roll call on delegates was completed. Schuyler received 10 votes, Crea 51, and Humphrey 46. A Sangamon county delegate in talking about the incident after the adjournment said that it was a bitter pill for them to take in allowing the instructions to go through but they "did it to save Mr. Crea." It was quite a scare, for both Crea and Macon's delegates. Humphrey was the man who was really in danger. McKinley men were more

than pleased with the instructions.

MAJOR CONNOLLY'S LETTER.

Just before the vote was taken re-nominating Major Connolly for congress, salutation was made to a letter he had sent to be read, but it did not arrive in time. It came later. Here it is:

Washington, March 30, 1896.

To the chairman of the Seventeenth district Republican convention, Decatur:

I congratulate the Republicans of the Seventeenth district on the splendid auspices under which their district convention met, and if I did not feel that duty to the good people who have trusted me as their representative compelled me, they will find me in my place, until the sunset of that November day that will surely bring to the American people again, control of their own government, for their own benefit and welfare. Very respectfully,

JAMES A. CONNOLLY.

Plain Talk.

Before the vote was taken for member of the board of equalization, which resulted in the nomination of T. N. Leavitt, of Macon county, over R. C. Maxwell, of Logan county, there was some plain talk.

W. R. Baldwin said: "Logan county made a fight with two other counties in the convention with the view of getting Maxwell named for this position. We worked in that belief and made it unanimous for the national delegates. We did not get even the alternate we wanted. We have done our share honestly and in return have got nothing. Now we come to you honorably and ask that you give us this place on the ticket. You gave to us for alternate a man who is distasteful and disgusting to us. We did not want him. We ask that you nominate Mr. Maxwell."

"Logan county," said Hugh Crea, "has had the member of the state board of equalization for the last four years. That ought to be long enough. I don't know whether it is a good office or not but I hope it is. It seems to me that a section for Macon county to have a member on the board." Continuing he said in a soothing way to the Logan county men, "You have a candidate for clerk of the supreme court. That pays something like \$8000 to \$10,000 a year. Why, it is better than congressman."

S. L. Wallace, of Logan county, was on his feet before Mr. Crea had sat down and said, "As far as our candidate for clerk is concerned it is off! In Macon county by your candidate for secretary of state. Neither of these offices, however, have anything to do with the district here. The man who fought us at every step in our county is thrown into our teeth as an alternate. We fought for McKinley and he fought against him. Now we go home without anything and face our people with him as the only thing that we get from the convention. We have been loyal to our instructions and did not turn traitor to the cause of McKinley as did Christian county, and"

"The chairman tapped Mr. Wallace to order and told him that he must confine his remarks to the question before the house. 'Logan county,' he continued, 'should have something and the convention should give us this place on the ticket. Mr. Maxwell has served with credit to himself and to his district. He is a good member and we ask that he be nominated.'"

And then Mr. Leavitt was nominated, 43 to 15.

IMPORTANT BANK CHANGE.

John A. Dawson to Go Into the Farmers' Bank This Week—Will Have General Charge.

It has been known to a few for some weeks that Dr. John A. Dawson was soon to make a change of location, going into the Farmers' Bank as general manager. He has been with the Citizens' National Bank since that bank was first established mainly by L. B. Casner, now the chief owner of the Farmers' Bank, and there is no man in the city of his years who has a more thorough and practical knowledge of the banking business than Mr. Dawson. He has devoted many years of his life to building up the business of the Citizens' Bank, and is personally known to all the patrons of that institution. Mr. Dawson will now unite his interests with those of his father-in-law, Mr. Casner, and will also have charge in a large part of Mr. Casner's private business affairs. No doubt Mr. Dawson will attract to the Farmers' Bank no small amount of very desirable business from the commercial firms and from among the farmers of the county. S. T. Nesbitt and George Conard will continue to remain with the Farmers' Bank. Both have given the bank their best energies, and have succeeded admirably in conducting the bank's affairs with uniform success. But the work has been too laborious and confusing for Mr. Casner, Mr. Nesbitt and Mr. Conard and it became necessary to get assistance to aid in looking after the details of the bank. There will be no radical change in the holdings of the present members of the bank firm. Mr. Dawson will dispose of his interests in the Citizens' Bank and will go into the Farmers' Bank with his means and his managerial ability, and the Farmers' will continue to do its share toward conducting the business affairs of our flourishing city.

B. Ketter, an old war veteran and a prominent business man, died at his home in Edinburgh.

AT REST IN GREENWOOD.

Funeral of the Late Otto E. Curtis—Remarks by Rev. James Miller and C. A. Ewing.

Saturday afternoon the funeral of the late Otto E. Curtis took place from the family home, 350 West Decatur street, in the presence of a very large assemblage of friends, many being merchants of the city. The sad services were conducted by Rev. James Miller, of Grace M. E. church, Bloomington, and Hon. C. A. Ewing, of Decatur, offered a personal tribute.

A choir composed of Messrs. Sherman McClelland, R. W. Chilton, Allen Lindamood and George Dunston, first sang "Jerusalem, the Golden," after which Rev. James Miller read the ninetieth Psalm and offered prayer. The choir then sang, "O, Paradise."

Mr. Miller took his text from Ecclesiastes, 9th chapter and 10th verse: "Whatever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest."

He spoke principally of the life, what it should mean to us and how we should perform its duties. He referred touchingly to the life of the deceased and spoke words of comfort to those in sorrow.

He said we are in this world for action. In our whole lifetime one great opportunity comes to us and our success in life depends upon our being able to see and grasp this opportunity.

The life of him whose mortal remains lie before us was one of activity. His public spiritiveness and his many excellent qualities of mind and character are worthy the imitation of us all. His opportunity came and he used it. He performed his part. We all contribute our share to the great sociological movements in progress and we leave the improvement of our individuality on those with whom we have been associated. There is something for all of us to do. Personal character is conditioned upon what we do for the world and for others. If we would turn our attention more to the world, to humanity, and towards helping others, our characters and destiny would take care of themselves.

The life of the deceased stands before us clearly and each one sees it as he appeared to them. The impress has been made and therefore let us leave him in the hands of that great Father who loves and cares for us all.

Personal Tribute.

My request of the family Hon. C. A. Ewing then spoke to the life of Mr. Curtis. He said: The general judgment of thoughtful men and women is opposed to public praise of the living or of the dead except in the case of those who have rendered conspicuous and great service to their comrades, their country, or their race. But the mournful regret for the death of a friend and associate, and sincere sympathy with those who are afflicted by the loss of one who was near to them by the ties of family or kindred is well nigh universal. And it is fit and becoming that such sentiments should be sincerely and simply expressed.

He, whom we have come to-day to bid adieu to his last resting place, died in the midst and prime of life, a young and busy man. Scarcely one in this community has lived a more active life and sustained friendly relations toward a larger number of people than Otto Curtis.

He was a schoolboy here. He became a skilled workman at the jeweler's trade. Early when a very young man he entered business on his own account by himself, and afterwards was associated with others. He was always stirring, enterprising and energetic, and he was always sociable and cheery. When he was but a youth, and when this city was a small one, depending for its entertainment largely upon the efforts of its own people, he was a prominent and acceptable actor in every occasion of merriment and social enjoyment. Those here present, who are older than he, all owe hours of pleasure to Otto's bright and hearty efforts, and can recall more than one occasion which was the happy forerunner of what he so readily did and did so well when he was scarcely more than a boy.

And it is strange that he could contribute then to the good cheer of others for the days of his boyhood were spent under a dark cloud. His home was one of sad affliction. His father had literally broken and fallen paralyzed and helpless in the service of his country, and had only risen again to a maimed and partial life, incapable of rest, incapable of locomotion. The head of their family was a crushed and crippled man, whom the boys had to care for unceasingly.

His mother, a bright, brave woman, took up the heavy burden of life so suddenly cast upon her, and labored for her children until the sounds of their voices grew fainter and fainter in her ears and ceased, and the light of the sun became pale and dark and lived out for years in silence and in the darkness of absolute night.

He was full of vital activity and energy. No man among us ever worked

harder or more constantly than he did in pushing and developing his business. He built it up from a very obscure beginning to a position of prominence which made it a marked and attractive feature of the commercial life and development of this city. It is one of those houses of which we speak with pride. Strangers are taken to stand it is exhibited to them as an evidence of our progress and enterprise. We have all gathered our share of gratification from what he labored to create and maintain.

He was always ambitious and eager. Men of less vigor and individuality would have succumbed or become dull and listless from his early adversity and gloomy surroundings, while he did not. He was continually pushing forward, not satisfied unless he was enlarging or rendering more attractive his operations.

He made a beautiful home for his family, and displayed taste as well as generosity in doing so. He took a healthy and sincere pleasure in adorning and beautifying it, and planting trees and flowers. And more than once he has opened it hospitably to us who have gathered now within its walls, and others whom he welcomed. And no man was more cordial or courteous and free and hearty to his guests and friends who had come at his bidding to his house than Otto Curtis, and we owe him a debt of kindly remembrance for those things which he has done for us.

He was a man of bright mind, of fine tastes, shrewdly, earnestly, always with discrimination, and often with wit concerning almost any matter which came within the range of his observation or was within the scope of ordinary intelligence. He was a very considerable reader, and more given to thorough investigation of such matters as from time to time arrested popular attention or were of general interest than was probably known to the most of his acquaintances.

The eagerness and activity of his mind manifested itself in a great variety of ways. He was a kindly man, social, ready to oblige, and made many friends both as boy and man.

He married first when very young a gentle and sweet girl, and lost her. Later in life he married again, and brought into our midst a good woman, who has had our friendship through all the years that she has been with us, and now has our tender sympathy.

At such an hour we can do little and say less to lighten the grief of those who mourn, but we can stand by the sad ones and give them the assurances of our friendship, and mourn with them that mourn, and hope that when time has done its gentle work, and the black clouds have begun to break away, the memory that we were with them in their sorrow may be some comfort and some consolation. In that hope and spirit these words are tendered.

Ionic Lodge, No. 312, had charge of the exercises at the grave. Deamunoir Commandery, No. 9, acted as escort. The pall bearers were W. B. Chambers, S. P. Vail, W. H. Starr, L. Burrows, W. R. Abbott and D. A. Mallit.

CLAIMED FOR CULLOM.

Comments of the State Journal on the Convention Action.

In the columns of the Springfield Journal, the home organ of Senator Cullom, to-day appeared these editorial comments on the action of the Republican congressional convention held in Decatur yesterday:

"The McKinley boomers are not pleased with the outcome of the congressional convention at Decatur. Notwithstanding the fact that three of the five counties in the district had instructed for McKinley, and the convention adopted resolutions of instructions in accordance therewith, the friends of Senator Cullom were in a majority in the convention, as was shown by the fact that his friends secured the organization of the convention and selected as delegates and alternates to the St. Louis convention avowed friends of the senator. To use the expression of one of the McKinleyites, 'We got a lot of words and Cullom got the delegates.'"

Those who are familiar with the conditions in this congressional district and with the character of the contest that has been made will not overlook or fail to appreciate the significance of the fact that the delegates to St. Louis elected by the convention, Messrs. J. Otis Humphrey, of Springfield, and Hugh Crea, of Decatur, are the identical gentlemen selected months ago by Senator Cullom's friends as their candidates for those positions. And it is equally significant that the alternates named, Hon. N. W. Branson of Petersburg and Captain Ed Hill of Lincoln, are avowed and pronounced friends of Senator Cullom.

The State Journal appears to be easily satisfied. If it can get any consolation out of the fact that Mr. Crea and Mr. Humphrey go to St. Louis under iron clad instructions to vote for McKinley, further clinched by the personal pledges of the gentlemen named made by them in the convention, we will have to assist and let it go at that.

Said Potatoes.

Special this week for the benefit of the farmers, Early Rose and Early Ohio Seed Potatoes, per bushel, 35c.

ACADE.

El Paso indulged in a foot ball game last week.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

ROYAL Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

THE LOCAL MARKETS.

Prices Paid by the Local Dealers for Cattle, Live Stock and Poultry.

The improvement in the country roads enables farmers to deliver more grain than they have been and the supply from the farms around this city is somewhat increased. The Shellabarger Mill and Elevator company pays the following prices: Wheat 60 cents per bushel, white corn 24 cents, mixed corn 23 cents, white oats 17 cents, mixed oats 16 cents, rye 30 cents.

The supply of live stock is equal to the demand and the prices remain about the same. Local dealers quote the following: Cows and heifers, \$2.50 to \$3.00; sheep, \$3.00 to \$3.50; hogs, \$3.25 to \$3.50; steers, \$3.00; lambs, \$3.25; calves, \$3.50 to \$4.00.

The farmers are offering a good deal of poultry for sale now as this is the time when they begin to plant their gardens and they are ready to sell their chickens. The price of eggs is 3 cents and the supply is still plentiful. This year eggs are cheaper than is usual for this season. The supply will probably decrease for a few weeks but they will remain cheap all summer. Max Atlas quotes the following prices: Hens and springs 6 1/2 cents per pound; roosters, 3 cents per pound; ducks, 5 cents per pound; geese 5 cents per pound; hen turkeys, 10 cents per pound; gobblers, 9 cents per pound; turkeys, 10 cents per pound; eggs, 3 cents.

Country butter brings all the way from 12 1/2 cents to 16 cents per pound with the grades.

Hides sell from 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 cents per pound with the different dealers. Tallow brings 3 cents per pound.

WEATHER FOR MARCH.

Some Interesting Figures From the Record Kept by Prof. Connard, the Volunteer Observer.

Decatur Township.
Assistant Supervisor J. A. DAVIDSON
Assistant Supervisor JAMES HOLMES
Assistant Supervisor J. W. MAHER
Clerk J. C. WALLACE
Assessor J. C. KREIER
Collector W. W. FOSTER
Commissioner HARVEY MAHANNAH
Constable T. L. ANTRIM
Postmaster GREENBERRY MARTIN

This question of who shall be nominated for president at St. Louis Convention has narrowed down to a contest between the voters of the party and the self-constituted office hunting bosses of the party.

Billy Lorrimer has again been interviewed on the presidential question as he relates to Illinois and he is still of the opinion that the Illinois delegation should be tied up ready to be delivered to the highest bidder by Billy and his gang.

There are fifty-eight delegates in the congressional convention which meets in Decatur next Tuesday. This means that if the two McKinley delegates to the National convention are not instructed for him, somebody will be held responsible for it.

J. Otis Humphrey, of Springfield, is now instructed by his county to do all in his power to secure the nomination of Cullom, and is expecting to be sent to St. Louis as a delegate by McKinley votes. If he goes to St. Louis, will he obey his Cullom instructions or his McKinley instructions?

MAISON COUNTY was carried for McKinley, so were Christian and Logan, and if two McKinley delegates are not sent to St. Louis from this district it will be because the district was stolen and somebody will be held responsible for it. The people are in earnest about this matter and believe their registered will should be respected.

THE PEOPLE of McKinley in the Congressional Convention should see that there is no secret balloting. They should insist upon everything being open; that every man be required to vote openly and above board. They should look out for schemes, because it is evident the Cullom people have hopes of securing one or both the delegates to St. Louis.

SENATOR ROBERT C. MILLER, who has been in a state of inebriated desuetude so long, has finally bounded into pernicious activity with a veritable Cuban resolution. The fiery free-trader and erstwhile free-silverite may find that Grover is "agin him," and then there will be a wild flapping of wings, until finally the senior senator from Texas will again find himself in the administration camp, thinking only administration thoughts.

H. N. SCHUYLER, of Christian county is a McKinley man. His county has instructed its 10 votes in the congressional convention to vote for him for delegate to St. Louis. Logan county will vote for him if Macon county does. This will elect him and with Hugh Cren as the other delegate the district would have two McKinley delegates. There is no need of any other result than the election of two McKinley delegates, with instructions added.

If the arrangement between Logan, Macon and Christian counties to send Senator Kanan and H. N. Schuyler to St. Louis as McKinley delegates had not been disturbed, there would now be no doubt as to the result. If, however, two other persons who are for McKinley are sent it will amount to the same thing, and every McKinley Republican will be satisfied, but there will be trouble if this is not accomplished as the result of "trading horses in the middle of the stream."

THE PEOPLE are demanding the nomination of McKinley for president and it would be wise to concede the nomination to him in deference to the wishes of the people for the reason that the party must carry many close legislative districts to get control of the next senate, otherwise a Republican victory would be barren of beneficial results to the country. There are also many close congressional districts that would go Republican if McKinley were at the head of the ticket.

As a McKinley man Mr. Cren as a delegate is as acceptable to those who favor McKinley as anybody. It can make no difference to the real friends of McKinley which of many McKinley men represents them at St. Louis; but when the Macon county convention put itself in the attitude of doubt as to whether the delegation would support Schuyler, of Christian, who is a McKinley man, and is endorsed by his county, it assumed a grave responsibility, under the three existing conditions.

THE CONTEST over the Republican nomination for governor of Indiana is growing quite spirited. There are more than a dozen avowed candidates, and the stakes are full of dark horses. So far three or four of the most prominent men appear about even in the course. The Hon. John L. Griffiths, of Indianapolis, a sketch of whom appeared in last Saturday's Commercial Gazette, is gaining strength every day, and promises to be at least abreast of the swiftest at the finish. Mr. Griffiths is one of the cleanest men in the contest, and one of the ablest in the country. There would be no occasion to defend him at any time should he be nominated. He is a brilliant lawyer, an orator of very attractive statements, and he has rendered his party and country eminent service on the stump in many campaigns with no selfish aim in view, and without any expectation of reward. Mr. Griffiths is a good man to keep your eye upon in this contest.

Can the District Be Stolen?

Among the Cullom people in Springfield the talk is that Cullom will get two delegates from this district at the congressional convention next Tuesday in Decatur, by a combination between Macon and Sangamon counties. How they can figure such a result in that way without assuming that the basest treachery will be practiced is past finding out. Every precinct in Macon county has been instructed for McKinley. The county convention instructed for him, and the congressional convention, if it carries out the will of the people, will instruct the delegates to elect for McKinley. Anything short of this will be taken as evidence that it is proposed to defeat the will of the people at St. Louis.

This talk in Sangamon county grows out of the result of the Macon county convention when McKinley men who were worked upon through one pretext and another, were induced to join those who had not the interests of McKinley's candidacy at heart to break down the plans and arrangement to elect Senator Kanan and H. N. Schuyler to represent the district at St. Louis. The McKinley men who went into this arrangement of upsetting things did so on the assumption that the district was for McKinley anyway and they would simply snub somebody and send two other McKinley delegates. If they accomplish this overy McKinley man will be satisfied. If they do not they will be held responsible by the people for the course they pursued.

To an honest McKinley man it makes no difference who represents the district in St. Louis so long as the men sent there will act in the interest of McKinley in organizing the convention, in forming the committees, and deciding contests, but to every McKinley man the suspicion that after the district was won for McKinley it will be stolen for another is abhorrent, and for this reason the Springfield talk don't sound right.

Hugh Cren will probably be one of our delegates. Springfield claims he is a Cullom man. While it is true that Mr. Cren two months ago was not for McKinley, he notified the Macon county convention he was then for McKinley, first, last and all the time. This takes him out of the Cullom ranks, and why the Springfield people should still claim him can only be accounted for on the theory that they still hope he will support Cullom.

The other delegate they expect will be elected is J. Otis Humphrey, the gentleman who introduced the resolutions instructing for Cullom in the Sangamon county convention and who is now instructed for Cullom, and was long since slated as a delegate to St. Louis for him. He certainly cannot, on top of these instructions which he prepared himself and his prior engagement, accept instructions for McKinley. If he does, which one of the two instructions will he obey? The Macon county delegation surely cannot vote to send him to represent the district in St. Louis, nor for any other anti-McKinley delegate after the district had settled the question as between Senator Cullom and McKinley in favor of McKinley.

The McKinley people of Decatur should attend the convention next Tuesday and use their influence to aid in securing the election of two McKinley delegates to St. Louis in accordance with the wishes of the Republicans of the district. They should be there to meet and defeat every effort to split the district away from McKinley.

Wants Grover to Blunder.

It is an open secret that the Spanish government will be much pleased if President Cleveland sends a message to congress regarding American losses in consequence of the rebellion in Cuba. Such a message will not only give to the Madrid government a long desired opportunity to take official notice of what has been going on of late in the United States and Cuba, but it will furnish a pretext for taking the following steps:

First, sending a note clearly setting forth to the U. S. Government, Spain's intention to put down the rebellion in Cuba exactly as America did the rebellion in the south—that is to say, without tolerating any foreign interference, even in the form of mediation, and without taking the slightest notice of any recognition of the Cuban belligerency except to regard it as further reason for insisting upon a stricter regard for neutrality and the principles of international law than the United States has manifested, even while considering the Cubans as simple rebels against a friendly government.

Second, sending a memorandum to foreign governments, especially European powers, setting forth that Spain is defending a common cause of European nations, defending their as well as her sovereign rights over colonies in America against American interference and the pretensions of the Monroe doctrine.

Third, claiming on the eve of a general election that the position of the Canova Cabinet has been vindicated, thus casting the onus of a conflict on the United States, as Senator Canova, since March, 1895, has done everything in his power to avert a rupture of cordial relations between Spain and the United States.

As to Chandler.

Buffalo Express: "McKinley is acknowledged to be a strong second choice in Massachusetts and Connecticut. This is another source of strength which will trouble the bosses a good deal. By killing the Reed boom, as they practically have with their favorite son Dodge, they have most likely released to McKinley and important element which he could not have otherwise secured. Nobody cared very much what the opinion of Bill Chandler was on the McKinley boom, but doubtless he feels better for having delivered himself of it. McKinley would have been seriously handicapped if Chandler had spoken favorably of him. Perhaps the very strongest reason for nominating McKinley is that the Chandler class of politicians are all against him."

That Man Lorrimer.

Congressman Lorrimer is one of those individuals who cannot understand why the voters in the Republican party should have anything to say as to their choice for president. He says: "Illinois should be in a position to do the wisest thing at any stage of the convention." He means by this that the Illinois delegation should go to St. Louis without instructions and submit to the dictation of William Lorrimer as to what that wisest thing is. He does not conceive that there might be a difference of opinion among the 48 delegates as to what would be wisest. He wants the people to shut up about any honest preference they may have, and after the delegates have reached St. Louis he would want them to shut up as to any convictions they might have, otherwise his machine could not work along the line he suggests.

There is another fact which his theory suggests that explains the motive behind all his talk. If Illinois should be in a position to do the wisest thing at the convention the same would be true as to any other state in the Union. Imagine what a paradise it would be for a boss were the delegates who make up a national convention to come there without instructions, without convictions and without choice. In that event the nominee and his administration would be a disgrace to the party and to the country, because the bosses would manipulate it, and the patronage would be labeled before the nomination was made.

Such nonsense as he utters only shows him to be a mere political adventurer without sentiment and without sense. He says also in his interview that the people who do the work for the party are against McKinley. Now Lorrimer probably thinks he has done work for the party, but he is mistaken. He has done a great deal of work such as he wants to do now, namely, manipulate the naming of tickets for the party, but who ever heard of his doing any work after the ticket is nominated. That is the time the work is done for the party. There are too many people like Lorrimer who imagine a political machine is the instrument that does party work, which is a mistake. Party organization works for the party, but the party machine is an overliving menace to party success.

He forgets that some of these people he regards as party workers wanted McKinley very much at Minneapolis in 1892 because they wanted to defeat Harrison. Why are they against McKinley now? Simply because like Lorrimer they are political adventurers and bosses.

It should also be borne in mind that Lorrimer thought so little of the will of those who voted for the party in 1892 that he disregarded the instructions of the state convention which puts him in a position where the general public cares little for what he says.

Two Kinds of Favorite Sons.

Princeton (Ill.) Republican: The Republican desires to call attention to the fact that there are two kinds of "favorite sons," which should ever be kept in mind while considering the question of the presidential situation. Matthew Stanley Quay, of Pennsylvania, is a positive type of one of these kinds, and Gen. Manderson, of Nebraska, another type. The first believes that strategy in politics as well as in war is necessary to win; that is, that men who are honored with public positions of any character, should embrace the opportunity thus acquired to manipulate future events to their own advantage—in short, if possible, to make combinations, to subordinate everything to "boss" or "ring" rule. Senator Manderson is opposed to all manner of bossism, holding that submission to the will of the people is by far the safer road, because it is honesty in politics as to travel.

Of course Senator Manderson is himself an Ohio man and a former resident of Canton, the home of McKinley, and this fact to some extent may account for his recent utterances as to his own candidacy. Interviewed at Chicago a short time ago, Mr. Manderson said he was willing that the Nebraska Republicans might give him a complimentary vote if they desired to confer that honor on him, but he wanted it distinctly understood that his name should not be used if, by so doing, the candidacy of William McKinley was to be endangered. He said that it was clearly evident that the great majority of the Republican party in nearly all of the states wanted McKinley at the head of the ticket, and for one he did not intend to be a party to any scheme, organized or otherwise, to defeat the honest will of the majority, whoever the candidate might be.

It is well for Illinois Republicans and in fact all Republicans to bear in mind these opposing ties of modern politicians. Read between the lines, there is much meaning in the interview of Gen. Manderson. It is a direct blow at "bosses" and "bullies" of every grade and character, and the lesson is that people should retire all such as fast as they can reach them through the primaries. In this article the Republican is not considering the question of availability in candidates, but simply the types of politicians. Whatever Republicans of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago or elsewhere may be induced to do, under the promise of special pulls, we still insist that honesty in politics is the best policy, and the will of the people as expressed at the primaries, by ballot, should prevail.

The result of the congressional convention to be held here next Tuesday is important to every Republican who believes that after the district has been instructed for McKinley two McKinley delegates should be elected to represent the district in St. Louis. Therefore, the McKinley people in Decatur should arrange to attend that convention stand by and encourage the McKinley delegates and see that the people's wishes are respected.

Mrs. HANNAH CALLEN, aged 52 years is dead at Paxton.

1896 and 1876.

Joseph Manley is out in a statement about the present contest for the presidential nomination in which he says the field is against McKinley as it was in 1876 against Blaine, and the result in the St. Louis convention will be that McKinley will be knocked out as Blaine was twenty years ago.

This talk of Manley's is put out at this time to injure McKinley's chances, as Manley assumes it will cause people to hesitate about tying up to him. The talk is given for the same purpose the talk of Lorrimer made a few days ago with this difference: Manley says it will result in Reed's nomination, while Lorrimer, when talk was only to affect Illinois, assumes it would open the way for Cullom. But Mr. Lorrimer has the same object in view that Manley has, namely, the breaking down of McKinley in the interest of Reed.

As to Manley's assumption that the outcome of the St. Louis convention will be a repetition of that at Cincinnati, he is clearly mistaken in his premises. In the Cincinnati convention the unit rule was in force, and under that rule, while a large minority of the New York delegation might have desired to vote for Blaine when the break came, the majority voted the entire delegation against him. The same was true of any other state. The delegations voted as a unit at the dictation of the majority.

All this was changed in 1880, the unit rule was abolished and the congressional district representation plan was adopted. The St. Louis convention will be conducted on the latter plan, and when the break comes neither Mr. Platt nor Mr. Manley nor Mr. Clarkson nor Mr. Quay will be able to compel a single delegate from their respective delegations to vote against McKinley, providing they want to vote for him in preference to Reed. It is well known that Iowa, New York, New England and Pennsylvania will have a host of delegates whose second choice is McKinley, and they will go to him as soon as their state's favorite son goes down. On the other hand, every man who goes into the convention for McKinley will stand by him, as they have been selected for that purpose. So in case McKinley is not nominated on the first ballot he will gain votes on every succeeding ballot.

The only way to defeat him that is at all probable is in the organization of the convention by seating contesting delegations from the south against McKinley, and it is not yet clear that this can be done to any considerable extent.

PROCEEDINGS in various Republican State and District Conventions for the selection of delegates to the St. Louis convention of during the past few days must have caused the breast of Mr. M. A. Hanna, of Cleveland, to swell with considerable pride. And no one who has studied the results of those conventions will wonder at any amount of pride the distinguished manager of the next president may have taken unto himself. As a campaign manager Mr. Hanna has wonderful skill. He has outmaneuvered the combined cunning of four or five of the oldest and most successful manipulators within the party. He has routed them in every state where the contest has been carried. Mr. Hanna has had a good subject to work with, it is true, but it must be acknowledged by his bitterest enemy that as a field marshal he has demonstrated ability that entitles him to the prize commission. The smartest of them have more than found a match in the Ohioan. And still he quietly proceeds to other fields of conquest. Hanna is the Napoleon.

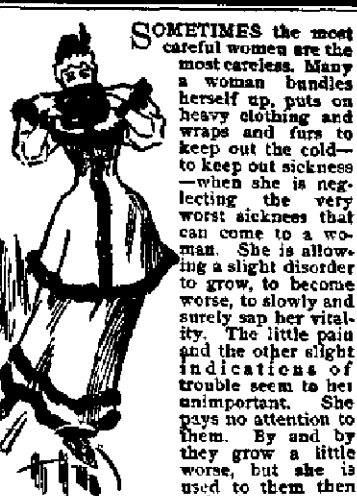
LOGAN, Macon and Christian counties have all, with practical unanimity declared for McKinley. This is a majority of the votes in the congressional district. Sangamon county has instructed for Cullom and Macon's delegates are uninstructed. The situation then is that the Sangamon delegates cannot consistently vote for a McKinley delegate to a National convention unless Cullom withdraws from the race between now and next Tuesday, the day of the convention. On the other hand none of the delegates from either Macon, Logan, or Christian counties can vote for a Sangamon county man for delegate to the National convention. Neither the instructions nor the men can be mixed in this case. This leaves the situation very plain. It is that the McKinley counties must stand together to carry out the will of the people.

AFTER the district has been carried for McKinley all talk should naturally cease to the effect that McKinley will not get the delegates. But the fact that there is such talk among the anti-McKinley people means that the McKinley people had better be cautious, attend the convention, and protest against every attempt to pervert the will of the people.

J. Otis HUMPHREY, who is instructed for Cullom, cannot afford to accept an election by delegates instructed to vote for McKinley delegates, nor can McKinley delegates afford to vote for Mr. Humphrey. To be fair the delegates must come from Macon, Logan or Christian counties.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in Electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whiskey or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and restorative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents per bottle at King & Metts drug store.



SOMETIMES the most careful women are the most careless. Many a woman handles herself up, puts on heavy clothing and wraps and furs to keep out the cold—when she is neglecting the very worst sickness that can come to a woman. She is allowing a slight disorder to grow to become worse, to slowly and surely sap her vitality. The little pain and the other slight indications of trouble seem to her unimportant. She pays no attention to them. By and by they grow a little worse, but she is used to them then and takes them as a matter of course. By and by they have grown into dragging pains that occasionally put her to bed. Then she knows what the matter is, but she won't go to a doctor because she knows he will insist on "examinations" and "local treatment." She goes on with increasing suffering until life itself becomes a drag. Nervousness, "sinking spells," digestive disturbances, and fifty other complications may arise from the same cause. Frequently such symptoms are treated as digestive diseases when the root of the whole matter is the derangement of the organs distinctly feminine. Over thirty years ago, the need for a reliable remedy for so-called "female complaints," was recognized by Dr. R. V. Pierce, then, as now, chief consulting physician to the World's Dispensary and Invalids' Hotel, at Buffalo, N. Y. He prepared Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, the most wonderfully effective remedy that has ever been used for such maladies. Its sale now exceeds the combined sales of all other medicines for women. Its effect is perceptible almost immediately. It relieves pain, allays inflammation, checks debilitating drains, and quickly subdues other distressing symptoms. It makes the organs and their surrounding tissues strong and healthy, thereby correcting displacements and invigorating the whole body.



WHEN? WHAT? WHERE?

When to buy, what to buy and where to buy it. Three very important matters that you will have to consider shortly. A simple glance at our stock of...

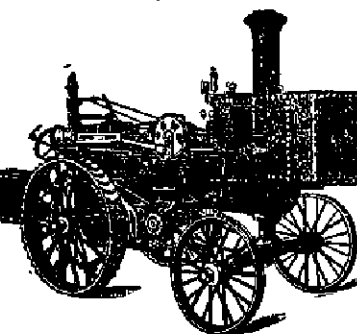
...Spring Goods...

will settle all three questions without any further mental worry.

CHEAP CHARLEY,
...The Reliable Clothier...

W. H. PARKER

SUCCESSOR TO
Leavitt & Oglevee Co.,
Maroa, Illinois.



WILL SELL YOU A
Garr, Scott & Co.

—OR—
Aultman-Taylor

Thrashing Outfit
AT A BARGAIN.

Also 10 and 12 foot Center Draft Binders to do the work of two ordinary binders are a reality. I will continue to sell the Plano Binder, which is greatly improved this year. All kinds of Farm Machinery constantly on hand. Call and see us before you purchase.

W. H. PARKER.
(10-12-1898)



FOUR "C"

The Only Known Specific for

...La Grippe...

Never fails to Cure La Grippe.

If you catch a cold to-day or any other day, buy a bottle of FOUR "C," if it does not give satisfaction you can get your money back.

Try FOUR "C" for La Grippe. In every form. Try FOUR "C" for cold in the head. Try FOUR "C" for children's croup. Try FOUR "C" for that harsh, hacking cough. Try FOUR "C" if you can't sleep from coughing and those sharp, shooting pains from cold. Try FOUR "C" for Bronchitis. Try FOUR "C" for Consumption.

Remember, if it fails to give satisfaction the druggist is authorized to refund your money.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., C. F. Shilling, and W. H. Hubbard, druggists.

ALL THE WORLD

Kneets Pillsbury's five great flour mills, with their combined capacity of 17,500 barrels a day. Mill A alone makes more flour than any other two mills on earth.

THE FACT that PILLSBURY'S BEST is invariably the best explains this great popularity.

SENSIBLE people are not willing to trifle with the quality of the food they eat.

GROCERS may sometimes try to "boom" inferior brands, but the people insist on having PILLSBURY'S BEST.

A CAMPAGIN OFFER.

Two One Dollar Papers for One Dollar.

We are upon the eve of the greatest presidential campaign the country has had since 1860, and everybody will want to know all about it and we propose to give you a chance. Until March 1, 1898, we offer to every new yearly subscriber to the

Decatur Weekly Republican,

And to every old subscriber, who will pay up arrears, and \$1 for renewal, both

The Decatur Weekly Republican

—AND—

The New York Weekly Tribune

For One Dollar!

This is the best offer ever made to you and we do it because we want to you good and we have the opportunity to do it. It means 136 columns of reading a week for fifty-two weeks for \$1.00.

THE DECATUR WEEKLY REPUBLICAN

is the only Republican paper published in Macon county. It is the best and the ablest weekly paper published in Central Illinois. In it you will find all the home news and no stuff. It discusses all political questions ably and fairly.

THE NEW YORK WEEKLY TRIBUNE

is the greatest weekly in the world, and is a perfect encyclopedia of information on almost every subject—the farm, the garden, the shop, the market, the world's events.

REMEMBER

Two One Dollar Papers for One Dollar.

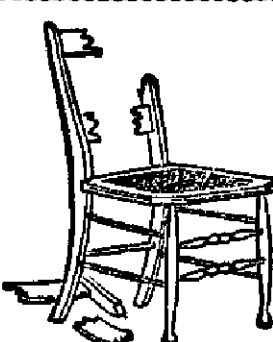
HAMSHER & CALHOUN, Publishers.

U-Bar Spike-Tooth Harrow

Also STEEL LAS PIPE HARROWS. Almost any number of teeth. Best braced and simplest in the market. No parts to break. If your agent does not keep it, write us. GALE MFG. CO., ALBION, MICH. Plows, Harrows, Cultivators, Rakes and Planters.



A Broken Back

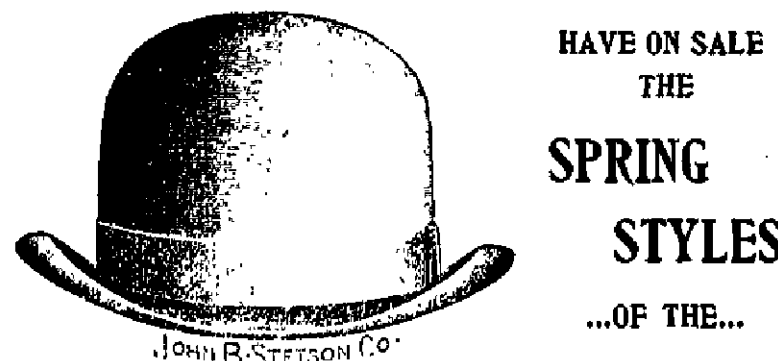


Just as yours will be if you continue using poor soap.

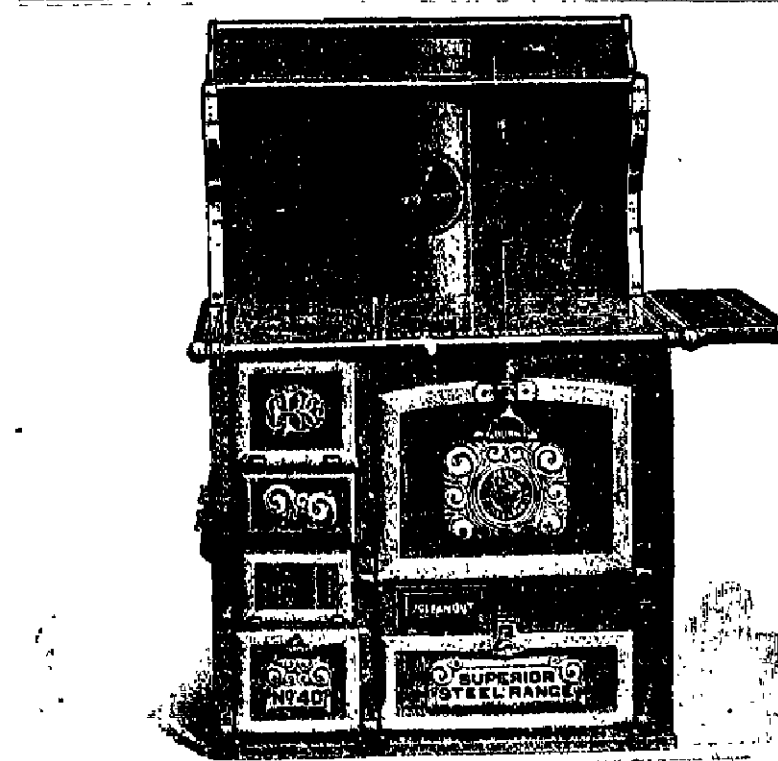
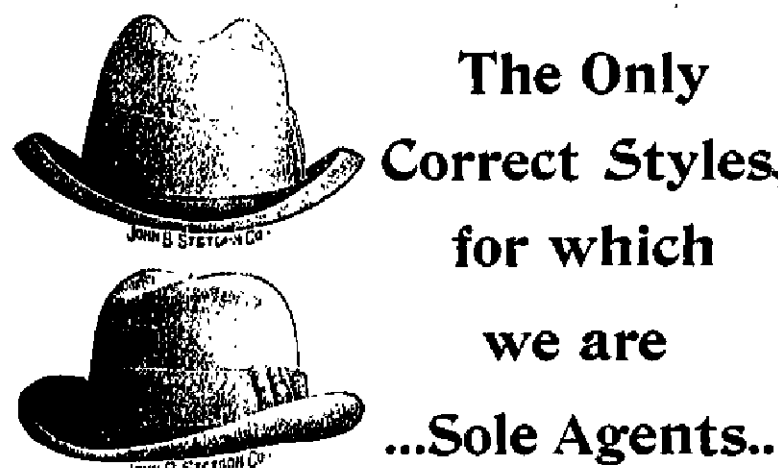
SANTA CLAUS SOAP

makes wash-day as easy as any other day. Lessens the labor, makes the clothes white, and does no damage. Thousands of women say—surely they are not all mistaken. Sold everywhere. Made only by The N. K. Fairbank Company, - Chicago.

RACE CLOTHING Manufacturing Co



Miller Stiff Hat AND THE Stetson Soft and Stiff Hat.



The most complete and best range on the market to-day for the money. We refer you to our many customers who are using them. A full line on our floor. Come and see them before you buy. Our prices will please you.

Bachman Bros. & Martin Co.,
COMPLETE HOUSE FURNISHERS,
ONE BLOCK EAST OF FULLIKIN BLOCK.

THE WIFE WON.

Arrest of Mr. Wilkin for Neglecting His Life Companion—A Night in Jail.

THE WOMAN RELENTED IN COURT

But She is to Get the Earnings of Her Husband—Attorneys on Both Sides of the Case—Call for Versatility of Legal Talent.

The arrest of a Mr. Wilkin, barber by occupation, for wife desertion is noted in another column. It appears to be a sad case, a handsome and loving wife abandoned by one who had sworn to cleave only to her, forsaking all others. At least that's the way the officers look at the case. Their sympathies appear to be wholly with the sad faced woman whose troubles seem to be greater than she can bear. The lady was at the jail to-day. Unless Mr. Wilkin does the square thing he will be prosecuted relentlessly.

Mr. Wilkin had to stay in the county jail all night. This morning early he telephoned for Attorney Gray to come to the jail as soon as he could and Gray said he would. Ten minutes later Mrs. Wilkin sent word by telephone to Mr. Gray that she wanted him to appear in court to-day to prosecute her husband for wife desertion. Gray had to tell her that he had been employed by Mr. Wilkin to look after his side of the case. He didn't see how he could defend and prosecute at the same time, and he so informed the lady, who had to go to the office of the prosecuting attorney for legal aid in her efforts to give her husband a taste of the law.

The case came up in Justice Shorb's court this afternoon, when it was confidently expected there would be a complete revelation of the Wilkin family troubles. But at the last minute Mrs. Wilkin relented. She informed the court that she did not now desire to prosecute her husband on the charge as stated. Attorney John Fitzgerald, of the State's Attorney's office, was on hand to prosecute Wilkin, and Attorney Gray was there to defend him. Before Mrs. Wilkin made her statement to the court she had a talk with Attorney Gray and told him what she was going to do, and added that she wanted him to defend her husband for her. Mr. Gray was mainly interested all the time in getting Wilkin out of the tangle, and he was dead willing to do anything he could to satisfy all parties in the case; but on the surface he had very little to do. Mrs. Wilkin knocked the bottom out of the case by refusing to prosecute. All the court had to do then was to dismiss the defendant, and he was accordingly set at liberty—husband and wife leaving the court room together.

It was claimed by Mrs. Wilkin that her husband left her a week ago and had failed to provide for her. It was reported that he was a barber, earning \$12 a week. It was said that he squandered his money elsewhere. What Mrs. Wilkin wanted was to have her husband come home and see that his earnings went for household expenses. In the settlement of the case it is stated that Wilkin agreed to let his wife draw the money every week, he agreeing on his part to stay at home and not wander off any more. Mrs. Wilkin appears to be a woman who knows how to manage things in a way that she cannot lose, and as Wilkin got out without the infliction of a fine or imprisonment for a longer time than one might be satisfied. And now it goes without saying that the public will hear no more about the Wilkin family troubles.

THE SYRIAN ARABS.

Styles Set by the Patriarchs Still in Vogue in the East.

The Syrian Arabs have changed their style of dress less than any other nationality. At any rate there is no record of its having changed during the period covered by human history, either as regards male or female dress or adornment. Saving only for his firearms, there is no reason to believe that the Bedouin of the desert does not clothe and adorn himself exactly as he did in the days of the Patriarchs, and the women wear their ornaments in the nineteenth century of the same shape and in the same style as Sarah and Rebecca did. Among articles of western costume, the two oldest are probably the Highland kilt and the smock-frock of the west country English laborer. It is not probable that either of them has altered much for 1,000 years. The smock-frock was the peasant dress in early Saxon times, and the kilt would seem to be a development of the kilt or fringed girdle, which was probably the earliest garment worn by man.

\$100 Reward, 100.

The reader of this paper may be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O.

Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Grand Master Sweeney Dead. Chicago, March 21.—Frank Sweeney, for many years the grand master of one of the Switchmen's National Union, died today of consumption.

A HIGH-LIVER with a torpid liver will not be a long liver. Correct the liver with DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. West's drug store.

WILL HAVE A NEW CHURCH.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Appointment Committee to Make Arrangements for their New Building.

A meeting of the congregation of the Cumberland Presbyterian church was held last evening and the question of building was discussed. Active steps were taken to arrange for the building. The following committee was appointed: Rev. A. W. Hawkins, chairman; Hugh Logan, Dr. Lobergan, W. F. Vaughn and Mr. Cloud. This committee will have full charge of the arrangements. They will solicit for funds among the church members and in the prosbytery to which they belong. It is not thought there will be any difficulty in raising the necessary amount of money. The church owns a lot at the corner of West Eldorado and North Monroe streets, on which the church will be erected. Besides this they own a house and lot on West Main street, which will be sold and the money added to the building fund. The church also has other funds, as several estates have been left by persons who have died.

The committee will at once look into the matters of plans for the church. Whatever is built will be a handsome structure, and the members expect to spend from \$15,000 to \$20,000 on the church. Under the direction of Rev. Hawkins, the pastor, the church has grown till the congregation is now quite a large one, and the members feel that they should have a church building of their own. They have been in the past meeting in the W. C. U. hall. The lot owned by the congregation is a corner lot and is splendidly situated for a church site. The members hope that they will have the church built this year.

The committee will appoint sub-committees to assist them in the work and first of all the money will be raised so that with what the church already has they will be able to erect a new building without assuming indebtedness. The trustees of the Presbyterian church have promised to give material aid in helping the congregation with their undertaking, and several individuals have already given or promised to give quite large sums to the church.

Say! Stop! Read!

We want your attention and we deserve it. We are about to make prices in shoes which will interest you, even though you need none for present use. We have been having a good trade but are determined to anticipate the wishes of the people and we have now made prices in conformity with the times.

Our men's Hunsan & Son's fine shoes, all new spring styles, blacks and tans, built to sell for \$5.00, all the new style shapes and toes, all widths and sizes, best men's shoes made, worth a \$5 bill of anybody's good money, we will sell you as many pairs of them as you want at \$3.90 per pair, and there is no such value for men in shoe leather anywhere. All of our tan and black vicid kid and Russia calf shoes bought to sell at \$4, and well worth that money, all hand sewed, nice clean goods just received, the up-to-date styles, buy of us one pair at 2.95, or as many pairs as you want at this price.

Our ladies' tailor made 20th century shoes, bought to sell at \$4 and cheap at that, hand made, buy one pair at \$2.75, or as many pairs as you want. Our ladies' hand well shoes, square toe, patent leather tip, regular \$2.50 grade, and cheap at that figure, get as many pairs as you want at \$1.75. Ladies' Dongola shoes in pointed and square toes, the regular \$2 grade, and a bargain at that money—buy as many pairs as you want at \$1.25. Ladies' Dongola shoes in pointed and square toes, our just famous \$1.75 grade, biggest value ever offered in Decatur for the money, but we will sell you as many pairs of them as you want at \$1.15 per pair.

We beg you will consider that these are no ordinary reductions, that the goods are the newest and the best that anybody's money can buy, that the styles are up to date, that the shoes are thoroughly made by the best workmen in the best manner, and that we are offering them at such low prices simply because we want to double the amount of business done at our store at once and through your prompt appreciation of the tremendous values offered. The F. H. Cole Shoe Co., by E. F. Bobe, manager.—d&w-1w.

Tax Ford county supervisors have offered a reward of \$100 and the school district one of \$50 for the arrest and conviction of the persons who committed acts of vandalism at the Shute school house, near Melvin, recently.

A Sound Liver Makes a Well Man. Aja yon Bilious, Constipated, or troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, Bad Taste in Mouth, Prolonged Cough, Dry Skin, Pain in Back and between the Shoulders, Chills and Fever, &c? If you have any of these symptoms, your liver is out of order and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your liver does not act properly. Hereafter will cure any disorder of the liver, Stomach or Bowels. It has no equal as a Liver Medicine. Price 75 cents. Free trial bottles at C. F. Shilling's and J. W. Eichinger's.

The city council of Baltimore, Md., has recently elected Mr. Oliver W. Connell commissioner of public works. Mr. Connell is a Champaign boy, having spent his boyhood upon a farm three miles north of that city.

SOOTHING, healing, cleansing, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the enemy to sores, wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold-sores in two or three hours. West's Drug Store.

ORANGE has 76 men between the ages of 18 and 90 years. Four of them are between 35 and 90 and nine between 80 and 85.

One Minute Cough Cure touches the right spot! It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See the point! Then don't doubt. West's Drug Store.

Two fire departments at Jacksonville have presented the mayor with a new road cart, set of harness and laprobe.

REPUBLICAN TEXAS.

A Scheme to Carry the Democratic Stronghold

BY A REPUBLICAN-POPULIST FUSION

Giving the Presidential Electors to the Former and the State Offices to the Latter, Said to be Contemplated by Prominent Leaders.

AUSTIN, Tex., March 25.—There is talk here of a political move which, if successful, will probably wreck Texas into the republican list of states this year. An effort is being made to have the republicans and populists fuse, the republicans to support the populist ticket for all state offices upon condition that the republican electors are placed on populist ballots. The importance of such combination, if accomplished, can be seen from the following figures: The vote of the state two years ago stood: Culberson, democrat, 207,137; Nugent, populist, 152,741; McKim, republican, 31,250; Schlitz, ally white republican, 5,025. These figures show that the opposition to democracy two years ago had a majority of over five thousand and defections since have greatly increased. The fusion movement was put on foot at Dallas two weeks ago by Edward Green, president of the Midland railroad, Judge W. K. McKimson and other prominent republicans and populists, and one of the latter who was at the conference said to the United Press correspondent last evening that the fusion report certainly was made. If so it certainly will endanger Texas as a democratic state this year.

MANLEY'S FIGURES.

McKinley's McKinley's Lead, but Says He Will Go Down to Fight.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Mr. J. H. Manley sent to Mr. W. Murray Crane the following telegram yesterday:

WASHINGTON, March 27, 1896.

Hon. W. Murray Crane, Republican State Convention, Boston:

In answer to your inquiry, this is the situation as it will stand at the end of this week: At the close of your convention to-day there will have been 398 delegates elected. Gov. McKinley will have 133 delegates, provided you assign to him the entire delegation from Wisconsin, Indiana and Minnesota. But there should be taken from this number 12 delegates from those states, who have declared since their election in favor of Mr. Reed and as they were not instructed, they should be taken from the McKinley column and placed in Mr. Reed's. This gives Gov. McKinley 150 delegates; Mr. Reed, 73; Gov. Morton, 64; Senator Allison, 35; Senator Quay, 26; Senator Cullem, 10, contested, 36. You will see that this gives Mr. McKinley 150 delegates against 310 anti-McKinley delegates.

The situation is precisely as it was 30 years ago. You will remember that three months before the convention met at Cincinnati we were confident of Mr. Blaine's nomination. He stood then as the apostle of protection, but he had opposed to his nomination Senator Conklin of New York, Senator Morton of Indiana, Secretary Bristow, of Kentucky, Gov. Hayes, of Ohio, and Gov. Hartcraft, of Pennsylvania. We felt so sure of Mr. Blaine's nomination that we regarded it as settled, and yet he was defeated in the convention and the Maine man went down before the Ohio governor.

History will repeat itself at St. Louis. Gov. McKinley is and will be the leading candidate for the nomination, but he will have opposed to him as candidates, Gov. Morton of New York; Senator Allison, of Iowa; Senator Callom, of Illinois; Senator Quay, of Pennsylvania, and Mr. Reed, of Maine. You will find that the tables will be turned, and the Ohio governor will go down before the man from Maine. [Signed.] J. H. MANLEY.

A BILL TO EXPEDITE DELIVERY

Of Imported Parcels and Packages to be Favorably Reported.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—The ways and means committee yesterday ordered a favorable report on a bill to expedite the delivery of imported parcels and packages. The measure provides that any articles other than precious stones and jewelry not over five hundred dollars in value, imported in packages not exceeding one hundred pounds in weight in vessels of the United States, may be appraised on the wharf under such regulations as the secretary of the treasury may prescribe, and after such appraisement and assessment of duties by the collector, may be delivered immediately under the bond provided for in this act to express companies or other duly incorporated inland carriers bonded for the transportation of appraised merchandise between the several ports in the United States.

The Dunmore Riders Discharged—Will Be Re-arrested.

SHERBORN, Pa., March 25.—The four young men charged with shooting Deputy Sheriff Mink at the Dunmore riots, were discharged by Alderman Miller yesterday afternoon. The alderman held that there was no direct proof that they had shot Mink. The young men will be re-arrested for rioting.

Ex-Priest Ruthven, in the middle of the night, was discharged from the jail on bail. He appeared at Alderman Miller's office yesterday morning, waived a hearing on the charge of inciting a riot and gave bail to answer in court.

Death Warrant Signed.

HANSHURST, Pa., March 25.—Gov. Hastings has signed the death warrant of McMillan, the Lackawanna murderer who will be hanged May 28.

ALBERT STAATS, of Cornland, arrested for shooting into an Illinois Central car, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to forty-eight hours in the county jail and ordered to pay a fine of \$10 and costs. The offense was committed last November.

"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist here sold a bottle of DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills.

Rev. MYRON HAINES, D. D., pastor of the Englewood Baptist church, of Chicago, will preach the dedicatory sermon of the new Baptist church at Urbana next Sunday.

NICARAGUA CANAL.

Ex-Senator Warner Miller, President of the Company

GIVES ITS HISTORY FROM THE FIRST

And Details Its Present Needs Before the House Commerce Committee—Congress Responsible for the Failure to Secure Funds.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Ex-Senator Warner Miller, of New York, appeared before the house commerce committee yesterday morning and gave a history of the Nicaragua Canal Co. from its inception down to the present time. He said that his appearance was not for the purpose of advocating any Nicaragua canal bill. After travelling extensively in Europe and the United States in an endeavor to educate the people to the necessity of the enterprise, he said that he found that capitalists believed the canal ought to be a government affair, and that the government would sooner or later take possession of it, leaving no profit to the private investors. He related these experiences to the senate committee, and suggested that the government guarantee the bonds of the company, and for this guarantee take stock to the amount of \$70,000,000 or \$80,000,000, the company being capitalized at \$100,000,000. A bill to this effect was reported and passed the senate.

The company now feel that they have a grievance against the government, because from its action in the matter it has become impossible to get money to construct the canal, either at home or abroad. Mr. Miller next paid his respects to the government commission, which went to Nicaragua last summer to inspect the route of the canal. He asserted without qualification that the movement to appoint the commission was made by the enemies of the canal enterprise. He asserted that the commission had estimated the cost of the canal not as practical business men, but as men who had the great wealth of the nation behind them. The company, on the other hand, estimated the cost at its lowest figure and with a view of keeping the expense within the limits prescribed.

Whiskey on Fire.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 25.—The big warehouse of the Pleasant Ridge Fuel Heating company burned this morning. The barrels burst and whiskey flowed in burning streams in all directions, causing the fire to spread rapidly. From all that can be learned the whiskey and warehouse are a total loss. The loss reached \$700,000, nearly covered by insurance.

Spain Searches for American Vessel.

KINGSTON, Jamaica, March 25.—The schooner William Scott, belonging at Caima, Mo., reports having been fired on by a Spanish gunboat off the Isle of Pines. The vessel bore to, was boarded and searched, and allowed to proceed on the failure of the Spaniards to find anything contraband of war.

Hoke Smith vs. Minnesota.

WASHINGTON, March 25.—Secretary Hoke Smith decided adversely to the claim of Minnesota to swamp lands which will be opened for entry May 15, granted state by swamp land grant March 1892. The agricultural lands in the reservation will be disposed of under the homestead law instead of by the president's proclamation. The timber lands will be sold at appraised value and the money placed to the credit of the Chippewa Indians.

Alligators Carry Weight.

The Indians in Central and South America firmly believe that alligators swallow stones for the purpose of making themselves heavier, and thus capable of diving more easily. From whatever cause, the fact is certain that alligators do swallow stones, it being rarely the case that a saurian is killed without one or more stones, sometimes of considerable size, being found in its stomach. The stones are of all sizes, from a mere pebble to a boulder almost the size of a man's head, and sometimes weighing as much as 40 pounds.—Chicago Journal.

Poison rings, during the 12th, 13th and 14th centuries were very common in Italy. The bezel of the ring was a hollow cup, opened by a spring, and designed to contain a quantity of poison to be used either for suicide or murder.

COL. EVANS, of Paris, Mo., who recently purchased the Douglas county flouring mills, has sold out to J. B. and W. B. McKinley, of Champaign.

The cycle dealers of Chicago held a meeting last night and perfected an organization.

The striking clothing cutters at Cincinnati want to return to work.

CHARLOTTE BRIDGES HUNT has married Robert Mantell.



SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Heartly Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coal-Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

Small Pill. Small Dose. Small Price.

ESTABLISHED 1860

J. MILLIKIN & CO.,

Bankers,

DEALERS IN EXCHANGE.

Safety Deposit Boxes for the use of those wishing to secure places for their Bonds, Stocks, Notes, Insurance Policies, etc.

THE IOWA.

The Great Battleship Launched at Philadelphia To-Day After

THE WORDS "CHRISTEN THE IOWA"

Daughter of Governor Drake Christens the Monster—Hundreds of Dignitaries View the Naval Baby.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 25.—The battleship Iowa was launched from Cramp's ship yard at 1:15 o'clock today. There never was a more successful launch. The federal, state, and municipal governments were represented by high dignitaries. Mary Lord Drake, daughter of Gov. Drake of Iowa, named the big naval baby and broke a bottle of champagne on the great iron prow. As she did so she nervously murmured, "Christen the Iowa." Beside her stood her father, members of his staff and other distinguished Iowans. Secretary of the Navy Herbert with prominent attaches of his office, chief of the naval bureau at Washington, senators, members of the house and members of the committee on naval affairs were also in attendance. To add to this mighty host the citizens lined the shores within a radius of a mile. The river was choked with every sort of craft. After the ceremony everybody on board the platform, as well as everybody else and went into the long round lot for luncheon.

Obviously the Iowa is known as a seagoing battleship, No. 1, to distinguish her from the coastal battleships, such as the Indiana, Massachusetts and others. She is considered one of the most perfect war vessels afloat.

ATTEMPTED ABDUCTION.

Second Attempt to Kidnap Modjeska's Granddaughter.

CHICAGO, March 25.—The second unsuccessful attempt to kidnap the four-year-old granddaughter of Madame Modjeska, the actress, was made to-day. The other attempt was made a few days ago. Ralph Modjeska, father of the child, received an anonymous communication warning him to leave town under penalty of the abduction of his child. He cannot account for the persecution.

THE BODY IDENTIFIED.

The Body Said as Unclaimed Freight Identified as That of Oliver Pike.

CHICAGO, March 25.—Mrs. Theodore O. Mosher, of Ravenswood, claimed the body of the man found in the zinc box which was purchased an unclaimed freight sales in that of Oliver Pike, of Seattle, Wash., who disappeared over three years ago. The particular marks of identification were large, prominent teeth and the fact that the man wore a truss, a truss being found in the box.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors that she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles of Dr. King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr. Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such a result, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at King & Hubbard's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00.

EDWARD CLAYTON, of GLASGOW, has a little daughter aged 4 who is a prodigy as a speaker and vocalist, and her talent is such that several well-known amusement managers have made efforts to secure her as an attraction.

A GOOD OFFER.

Two One Dollar Papers for one Year for One Dollar.

Two weekly papers for the price of one is certainly a good offer and yet that is what we do in another part of this paper. Read the advertisement headed "A CAMPAIGN OFFER" and see what we say about it, and then avail yourself of it at once. We offer:

THE DECATUR WEEKLY REPUBLICAN

and the NEW YORK WEEKLY TRIBUNE

BOTH FOR ONE DOLLAR FOR ONE YEAR.

This is a campaign offer and is open until March 1, 1896 to all new subscribers to the REPUBLICAN and all old subscribers who will pay up arrearsages and \$1 in advance for the two papers.

The political campaign next year will be the most important and far reaching of any since 1860 and you will want to know all about it. You can get this from THE WEEKLY REPUBLICAN, the only Republican paper published in Macon County and The New York Weekly Tribune which is conceded to be the greatest weekly published in the world. Aside from politics you get in these two papers all the general news, both east and west, and all the home news.

These two papers contain 136 columns of snappy, politics, news, stories etc. The REPUBLICAN is printed Thursdays and reaches you the same day. The Tribune is printed Wednesdays and reaches you every Friday. You have them both fresh every Saturday evening and Sunday.

This is the best offer ever made to the people of the county and should be promptly accepted. Send in your name and money at once, or come to the REPUBLICAN office, square up and take both papers for one year for one dollar. Don't wait, as the first day of March will soon roll around.

REPUBLICAN TICKET.

Decatur Township.
Assistant Supervisor J. A. DAVIDSON
Assistant Supervisor JAMES HOLLENDER
Assistant Supervisor W. J. MAHER
Clerk H. C. WALLACE
Collector N. T. RUEBEN
Comptroller W. W. FOSTER
Counsellor HARVEY MARIANNA
Constable T. L. ANTHONY
Postmaster GREENHERRY MARTIN

CONGRESSIONAL TICKET.

11th District.
For Congress JAMES A. CONNOLLY
For Member State of Illinois THOMAS N. LEAVITT
For Member H. N. SCHUYLER

All Republicans should bear in mind that general T. W. and orderly cloakery did it. They modestly confer it.

A GREAT many of the mayors appointed by Gen. Weyler have not been able to remain in their cities and are refugees in Havana.

BRADLEY and QUINN as favorite sons are both afflicted with the fact that some of the family are all the time getting away from them.

THE St. Louis Globe-Democrat says Hon. Joe Manley is an expert political mathematician, handicapped to some extent by inflammation of the imagination.

THE only officers of the southern Republic have at their disposal the delegateships to conventions and it is not strange they fight for these crumbs of comfort.

THE magnificent truth embodied in the statement of the Irishman that nobody is for McKinley but the people is being demonstrated more clearly every day.

THE election of original Cullom candidates for delegates by McKinley people and instructing them for McKinley is putting it on fairly stiff, and may be said to be adding insult to injury.

WHAT the Republicans of this district want are two true-blue McKinley delegates to the National convention at St. Louis. Loyal McKinley men are not particular as to what their names are.

C. N. TWADDELL's idea of politics is that he can deceive everybody and play all sides in a magnificent politician. He forgets that such politicians never do the party any good and sooner or later are fully exposed.

THERE is but one way for McKinley to stop the mouth of Billy Gorman, and that is to promise him the disposal of the Federal patronage for Illinois, but that is too big a price to pay for Billy's opinion and he will have to talk on.

NEW HAMPSHIRE, very emphatically, in its convention notified its Senator Chandler that it takes no stock in his roundabout attacks upon McKinley's campaign when it named William McKinley as a very desirable man for president.

THOSE anti-McKinley papers do not seem to be going into hysterics to any great extent over the delegates Read and Allison are getting in the south from states that can deliver no electoral votes; but if McKinley were getting all of them what a howl there would be.

CHUCKERY DICKW pretends to see how McKinley will be defeated and how that result will be the nomination of Morton, while Joe Manley agrees with Dewey so far as the defeat of McKinley is concerned but says it will result in Read's nomination. This appears to be a clear case of the wish being father to the thought.

THE Republican congressional convention meets here to-morrow and McKinley Republicans should make it their business to be around all day and encourage the 31 McKinley delegates from this county and Logan and Christian counties to elect no one as a delegate who is not an avowed McKinley man. The district cannot afford to make a mistake at the last minute.

Gov. McKinley's success is now assured that General Twadell and Orleby Clotey have become interested in his cause and ordered the friends of McKinley in Logan and Christian counties to the rear and formed an alliance with his enemies in Sangamon county as the best means of demonstrating how they can do things when they get down to business.

IT is reported that the capture of Pinar del Rio by the insurgents was largely due to American soldiers, who handled the Moslems and Gitting guns that dealt terrible slaughter among the Spaniards. Having had some experience with Uncle Sam's soldiers Spain will know better what estimate to put upon them, and that may have some modifying influence on the Spanish cartoonists.

TAN BRITANNIC congratulates Hon. T. N. LEAVITT upon his nomination by the convention as a candidate for member of the state board of equalization. Mr. Leavitt has splendid qualifications for that office and knows how to make a winning campaign, and such a candidate is needed in this district which has so long been Democratic, and which for the first time went Republican in 1894.

GEN. TWADDELL and his orderly, Clotey, judged by some of the things they inspire, are not quite sure that the public will recognize the fact that they are running the politics of Mason county. They need have no fear that they will not be conceded full credit. The results speak for them and the Republican caucus for them shall have full recognition for every drop of glory that belongs to them.

The Congressional Convention.

The congressional convention has passed and has become a matter of history. It adopted instructions for McKinley which are copper-bottomed and armor plated, and which are the more appreciable on account of the fact that there was a time in the convention when it appeared that a combination had been formed that would have the power to prevent instructions, and intended to use that power.

This combination was formed when Schuyler was driven off the track as a candidate for delegate to St. Louis, as his retirement released the Christian county delegation to a very great degree.

There were anti-McKinley people who busied themselves in trying to force Schuyler off the track for the purpose of bringing about that state of things. This is not to be confused with the disposition of the Macon county delegation not to give him their vote. They were simply inclined to vote for Humphrey rather than Schuyler, and did not consider the effect of Schuyler's withdrawal or his remaining on the track. The delegation was not concerned about that.

C. N. TWADDELL was not on the delegation, but he was one of the schemers who put in overtime trying to drive Schuyler off and took it upon himself to notify Schuyler Monday night that he might as well pull off and get out of the way; that he could be made elector for the district but could never be a delegate and would never get a single vote from Macon county. Twadell is not a McKinley man and never was and did not want instructions for McKinley in the congressional convention and the motive in what he did was clearly to break down the 31 McKinley votes in the convention. Behind him were some of the Sangamon county people and they came near accomplishing their purpose.

AFTER J. O. HUMPHREY had agreed Monday night to accept the instructions that had been prepared, and which were finally adopted at the convention, Tuesday, part of his delegation kicked and refused to abide by the agreement and with the other anti-instruction schemers proceeded to get together seven of the delegates from Christian county and by means not necessary here to mention secured an agreement from them to vote against instructions for McKinley providing enough additional delegates could be secured to defeat instructions. Those seven men called Mr. Schuyler before them and advised him to withdraw and he consented and announced that he would no longer stand as a candidate. This made smooth sailing for the schemers, as the delegates from Christian county were no longer under obligations to him. The other delegates necessary for a majority were secured from Macon county, and it then looked as if no instructions would be voted and that Crea and Humphrey would be elected delegates.

AS soon as Mr. Crea and other leaders in the Macon delegation heard of this bit of treachery on the part of the Sangamon delegation, which they had been inclined to favor, there was war in the camp and Mr. Crea promptly notified that delegation that he would not be a party to any such scheme, and J. M. Clotey read the riot act to Humphrey in several languages. The result was that the Macon delegation decided to cast its 15 votes for Schuyler, and Mr. Clotey so informed Mr. Humphrey, and an effort was at once made to get Schuyler back as a candidate. The Macon delegation went to the hall fully intending to vote for Schuyler if Sangamon persisted in refusing to concede McKinley instructions. The instructions combined showed its 31 votes on several preliminary roll calls and it looked as if all was lost. The proceeding had gone so far as to practically postpone the report of the committee on resolutions until after the delegates were elected. All objections to such procedure were disregarded by the Sangamon people.

Nominations were called for and Crea and Humphrey were nominated. Christian did not put Mr. Schuyler in nomination; but at this juncture Logan county decided to prevent if possible the success of the no instruction deal and placed Schuyler in nomination. This proved the entering wedge to the defeat of the scheme, and had it not been done the convention would have ended in defeat for the McKinley people. The roll was called on the election of delegates and proceeded thus:

Crea, Schuyler, Humphrey.

Christian 10 10 7

Sangamon could count on four votes from Macon against instructions but it could not count on all of them for Humphrey, and at this point in the roll call Mr. Crea made a speech in which he called attention to the fact that Logan, Macon and the Christian county delegates were instructed for McKinley. This speech had its effect in bringing the recalcitrant's attention to their obligations, and the matter of resolutions being adopted before the delegates were elected was again brought up. Looking at the vote so far as had then progressed Mr. Humphrey saw or thought he saw that he would be defeated, for if Macon voted its 15 votes for Crea and 13 for Schuyler, Crea would have 27 votes and Schuyler 31 votes, and if Macon only voted two votes for him and gave Crea and Schuyler three votes each, he, with the vote of his own delegation, would only have 29, while Crea would have 30 and Schuyler would have 37, and in addition to this Sangamon would have to divide her 20 votes between Crea and Schuyler, and on any division both would have been elected and Humphrey would have been defeated. Thus the putting of Schuyler in nomination and the remarks of Crea forced Mr. Humphrey to surrender, and the resolutions were adopted unanimously, and the ballot proceeded, resulting in the election of Crea and Humphrey and the defeat of the schemers who seemed willing to use any means to defeat an expression of the will of the people.

It was a critical time, all made possible by attempting too much with the Cullom delegation from Sangamon, instead of sticking to the three counties that were under instructions for McKinley. The ending of the affair, however, is all that could be desired under the dangerous conditions that had obtained.

Clarkson Talks.

J. S. CLARKSON, who as secretary of the National Republican committee has inherited the notion that he, by virtue of that office has become a president-maker, is working overtime with his mouth. He never allows an opportunity to slip for an interview on the presidential situation, and the way he does up McKinley, the man he cannot make a deal with, in each interview is a caution.

He concedes that McKinley will have more delegates in the National convention than any other candidate for president on the first ballot, but that he will never get farther than that. Thus he assumes that in that convention there will be no delegates who are for McKinley for second choice, and that every delegate who goes to St. Louis who will not, or under instructions cannot vote for McKinley on the first choice, is there like Clarkson, to down McKinley at any cost to the party and in defiance of the will of the people who are for McKinley in every part of the Union.

BUT the country has long since learned that on the presidential matter not everything runs in the direction of Clarkson's mouth. He was just as busy four years ago defeating Harrison as he is now defeating McKinley. He made the same talks then as to Harrison he is making as to McKinley. He not only did that but turned the committee headquarters in Minneapolis into a recruiting office for anti Harrison recruits. Mr. Clarkson for months before the convention proclaimed that Harrison could, under no conditions be nominated; that the Iowa delegation would be for Blaine; that the south would not support Harrison, that he would get no delegates from New England and volumes of other similar matter in his interviews. He was then mistaken in all his predictions and Harrison was nominated on the first ballot and that was the last the country heard of Clarkson until he turned up again in the same role unmaking McKinley. He aims to be a great schemer with great power and probably the very best thing that would result from McKinley's nomination is that it would forever hereafter silence this talented statesman.

THE country is heartily tired of him and would like to be relieved of his methods of publishing his opinions on the presidential matter in which the people think they have a right to be heard.

C. N. TWADDELL is one of the gentlemen, who, to carry out one of his schemes circulated the report that the Republican had not done John A. Reeve justice as a candidate for secretary of state. His conduct during the congressional convention ought to convince the friends of Mr. Reeve that Twadell has no interest in Mr. Reeve's candidacy. He is simply a disreputable, unreliable political adventurer, in whom no one dare place the least confidence, and the quicker he is eliminated from Macon county politics the better it will be for the Republican party. He does nothing to build up the party. He brings it no votes and the party cannot afford to allow him to run its affairs at the primaries and in conventions.

THAT it is understood to desire to throw the New York vote to Read after Morton drops out, but the McKinley strength in the state is so great that the boss stands a poor chance of holding away from the Ohio man five sixths or nine tenths of the delegation which he controls at the beginning of the convention. Apparently a majority of the New York delegates thus far committed to Morton have McKinley for a second choice. When the break comes the bosses who get in the way of the avalanche are crushed.

THE nomination of James A. Connolly for congress by acclamation is a great compliment to him. He is serving his first term and is serving his first session, and yet he has taken rank among the leaders on the floor. He deserves this too, as he is one of the ablest and far-seeing legislators the state of Illinois has ever had, and with this he has the courage of his convictions and is thoroughly honest. His renomination means that he will carry the district again.

Captain Durfee for Circuit Clerk.

Captain George S. Durfee is to day announced as a candidate for the office of circuit clerk, subject to the action of the Republican county convention. That Captain Durfee would be in the contest for the nomination has been known for some time, and to-day he announces the fact formally. He is one of the old citizens of the county who has been prominently identified with all public affairs for years, besides taking an active part in the preservation of the Union at a time when good and brave men were needed. Captain Durfee has a large personal acquaintance in the county and will go into the convention strongly supported. He is well qualified to properly perform the duties of clerk, and if nominated will be elected by a handsome majority.

List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of American and Foreign Patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.:
J. L. Cook, Springfield, box and axle for vehicles; R. Fisher, Neoga, price scale; S. A. Fisher, Geneseo, kettle; G. W. Hayden, Oak Park, triple valve mechanism; J. G. Korst, Springfield, brick rougher and sander; W. E. Loeder, Springfield, device for unloading of trucks; J. B. Moore, Carle Hill, sickle device; F. Purdy, Elgin, manufacture of man springs for watches; C. I. Thompson, Peoria, lubricator; T. Van Kannel, Rockford, cooker.

Beardsdale.

House cleaning and garden making seems to be the order of the day at Charles Faith and family, of Warrensburg, spent Sunday at Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Childs.

Miss Anna Butt, of Decatur is visiting this week at A. E. Butts.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wellins and Mr. and Mrs. H. Parks spent Sunday at C. Hays.

Miss Dot Bevans of Decatur is visiting relatives at this place.

Mr. J. J. Cross, who teaches the village day school, met with a very serious accident on Friday evening last while attempting to jump a six foot barb wire fence, but was foiled in his attempt. John was trying to catch the 4.34 train to Decatur, and of course was running his best, when his foot caught upon the wire, and the result was poor John was thrown violently to the ground, and when he and old Mother Earth met there was a mighty quake; however, by the friendly aid of a constable he reached Beardsdale just as the train came pulling in.

Messrs Ollie and Bess Burkhart spent Sunday at W. E. Butts.

Miss Etta Best, who has been attending Normal at Bloomington, is visiting friends and relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Burkhart spent Sunday at W. C. Cress, near Warrensburg.

Little Nina Butt is on the sick list.

Earl Braden and Etta Best spent Saturday evening at W. Baum's.

Cause.

Easter will be observed with appropriate exercises at Long Creek church Sunday morning.

Farmers are all busy sowing oats, weather at this time being fine for putting them in.

J. C. Lyons of Decatur has been working the John Hancock life insurance here this week.

Mrs. Collier Million and two children of Decatur are visiting the family of John Williams.

Protracted meeting began Monday evening at this place, being conducted by Rev. C. C. Dillman, the pastor.

Mrs. S. E. Underwood returned from Warrensburg Saturday, where she spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bullard.

All our high school students are out this week on their spring vacation.

Miss Corn Underwood of Lintner spent the week with relatives here.

Miss Nettie Hinesill of Decatur visited over Sunday with the family of John Wilson and others.

Master John Longman, son of Dr. M. Y. Longman, of Decatur, spent a few days with relatives here.

Little Chester Tobill, son of J. M. Tobill, near here, is very low with a complication of diseases. At this writing (Tuesday) he is not expected to live till night.

The Decatur Nursery Co. has No Agent in Macon County.

Apple trees, 12c each; cherry trees, 33c each; pear, 35c each; peaches, 10c each; plums, 50c each; quince, 30c each; apricots, 35c each; gooseberries, 5c per bush; currants, 5c per bush; Concord grapes, 5c; Niagara grapes, 25c; Moore's early grapes, 25c; Pocklington grapes, 25c; diamond grapes, 3 for \$1; strawberry plants, \$4.50 per thousand; raspberry, black, 87 per thousand; red raspberry, 85 per thousand; blackberries, 87 per thousand; evergreens, 10 to 75c each; shade trees, 25 to 75c each. The only nursery in the state of Illinois that handles the California popular shade trees. No peddlers to annoy you. Come to the nursery and see the stock and you are always satisfied. You will save from half to three-fourths of the money you will have to invest elsewhere. All stock guaranteed to be just as represented. If you cannot come to see me, drop me a line and a price list will be furnished. Office and packing grounds, corner of Jasper and East Wood streets. New telephone.

W. H. and A. L. Tinsley.

March 5th.

Removal Sale.

Freeman Bros. will vacate their store at 114 Merchant street which they have occupied for the last 17 years and will sell their immense stock of boots and shoes without regard to cost. We expect to move about April 15, 1896. Come and get a bargain.

mch19-dkwt

FOR the SEASON of 1896,

Commencing April 1st,

I will offer for public service at Mt. Zion the following Stallions.

GTB HOWELL, 10,630.

By Anderson White, 10,624; and sire of 2100 powers, 2,104; Robert B. 2,12; Jack Sheppard, 2,14; Pat Delaney, 2,18; Magnolia, 2,19; W. A. 2,22; Lavonne, 2,23; Prestoria Wilkes, 2,24; Lady Anderson, 2,25 (pacer); Lady Anderson, 2,26 (troter); Harkow, 2,27; Decatur, 2,28; also Orange Anderson, trial 2,17; and Fanny McGuire 2,25, at two years old.

A pole team Elite Powers and Prestoria will lower the World's best leading record twice in one week at the Illinois State Fair last year, pacing a mile in 2:13, and two days later about a mile in 2:17.

Dam by Mammoth, 2053, sire of Lewis B. 2,20; Goldmont, 2,22; S. Montgomery, 2,24; Dan Mack, 2,25; Mollie, 2,26 by J. H. Howells (trial) 2,28; and Fannie McGuire (trial) 2,25, as a two-year-old, and Hathaway, 2,29.

GTB Howell is a dark bay, 10 hands and weighs 1200 pounds. He was worked last year by William Reynolds, to show that he is a real mile in 2:20-1/2 last half in 1:08, a 1/2 mile and last quarter in 23 seconds, a 1/2 mile. He is a consistent performer of 2:10 or better if no accident should occur. His full sister, Fanny McGuire, considered one of the fastest animals bred by Breckenman Bros.

We are working a pair of 2-year-olds by GTB Howell this year and expect them, from present indications, to show better than 20 before the season closes. You can see younger animals which we think will please the most exacting judges. All his calls are large and show plenty of action.

PASTEUR, 18674.

Light grey stallion bred by J. H. Howells, foaled March 29, 1889, bred by M. Marrier, of Nove, Ohio, France.

By Anderson White, 10,624; and sire of 2100 powers, 2,104; Robert B. 2,12; Jack Sheppard, 2,14; Pat Delaney, 2,18; Magnolia, 2,19; W. A. 2,22; Lavonne, 2,23; Prestoria Wilkes, 2,24; Lady Anderson, 2,25 (pacer); Lady Anderson, 2,26 (troter); Harkow, 2,27; Decatur, 2,28; also Orange Anderson, trial 2,17; and Fanny McGuire 2,25, at two years old.

GTB Howell is a dark bay, 10 hands and weighs 1200 pounds. He was worked last year by William Reynolds, to show that he is a real mile in 2:20-1/2 last half in 1:08, a 1/2 mile and last quarter in 23 seconds, a 1/2 mile. He is a consistent performer of 2:10 or better if no accident should occur. His full sister, Fanny McGuire, considered one of the fastest animals bred by Breckenman Bros.

We are working a pair of 2-year-olds by GTB Howell this year and expect them, from present indications, to show better than 20 before the season closes. You can see younger animals which we think will please the most exacting judges. All his calls are large and show plenty of action.

PASTEUR, 18674.

LINN & SCRUGGS'

...Easter Greeting...

Everything that can make Easter buying pleasant and profitable can be found at Our Establishment.

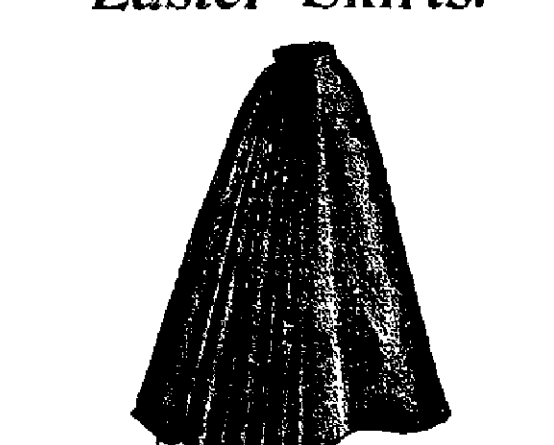
375 Pattern Hats to select from. No two hats alike. Our best hats are all trimmed in New York, with the exception of a few which are imported. We are showing nothing but exclusive styles and prices reasonable.

Ladies' fine Easter Hats, worth \$5 at 2.98.
Ladies' fine Easter Hats, worth \$6 at 3.50.
Ladies' fine Easter Hats, worth \$7.50 at 4.98.
Ladies' fine Easter Hats, worth \$10 at 5.98.
Untrimmed Hats, 10, 15, 25, 35 and 50c.
Flowers, 9, 15, 25, 35 and 49c a bunch.
Misses' Hats, \$1.98, 2.49 and 3.50.
Children's Hats, 49, 75 and 98c. Trimmed
Lephorn Hats, 49c.
Tam O'Shanter and Caps, 25, 49, 75 and 98c.
Infant's Lawn Caps, 10, 15, 25, 35 and 50c.

Easter Collars.

All styles, best assortment ever shown 49, 75, 98c and 1.49 and 2.00.

Easter Skirts.



Easter skirts. Ladies' dress skirts ready for wear, 1.98, 2.98, 3.49.

Easter Suits.



Ladies' ready made suits, \$4.98, 7.50, 8.50, 9.98 and 15.00.

Children's Suits, \$8.98, 4.98 and 5.98.

Easter Capes and Jackets.

Ladies' Capes, \$1.98, 2.98 and 3.98.
Ladies' Jackets, \$4.98, 5.98 and 6.98.

Easter Waists.



Fine laundered waists, 98c, 1.25, 1.50 and 2.00.

Fine silk waists, 1.98, 2.98, 3.98 and 4.98.

It Seems Strange

That we should sell Farm Harness so cheap when leather and all other material is much higher than a year ago. There is not much money in doing so, but we must sell the harness. Our Western jobbing trade is less than usual and we must dispose of our surplus stock at home at the sacrifice of profit.

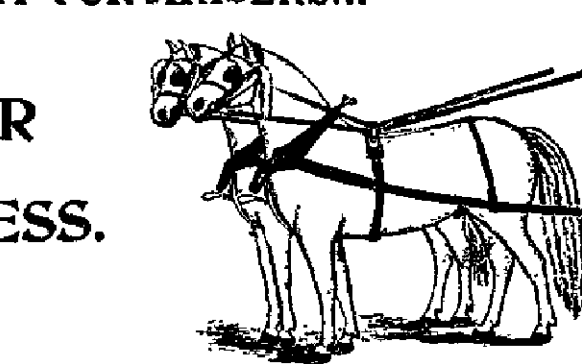
FOR \$25 We will sell the **BEST HARNESS** we make. We furnish **Wool Scotch collars, 21 foot Lines, and any style of Pads or Harness** wanted.

...TERMS TO SUIT PURCHASERS...



THIS IS OUR

\$25 HARNESS.



We Bought Two Carloads of Bicycles!

\$40. This a **HIGH GRADE Bicycle** and sold for \$100 last year. **COME QUICK, only a limited number will be sold at this price.**

\$41. **\$41.**

We bought these Buggies out of a Chicago Failure. We sell them regularly for \$65.00. This is a **GREAT BARGAIN.**

\$45 ROAD WAGONS for \$27.75. **\$115 SURREYS for \$88.00.**

Don't Wait or You Will Miss These Bargains.

J. G. STARR & SON, Lincoln Square.

Decatur's Largest Variety Vehicles, Bicycles, Harness.

Supreme Court Decisions.
State Attorney Miller last evening received two important messages from Springfield, telling of the finding of the Illinois supreme court in two cases in which he was interested to a considerable extent.

One was the case celebrated "Sunday Sue" case. Attorney Strohm, representing the publication, came here to force the sale of the paper after the hawking of the sheet about town had been forbidden. He hired a boy to make the sales. Strohm and the boy were arrested. Strohm was convicted at last and landed in the county jail for a term of over 100 days, and he was required to pay a fine of \$300. He served out a part of the jail sentence and carried the case to the highest court. The supreme court refuses to reverse the decision of the Macon county circuit court and now Mr. Strohm will be locked up to pay his fine and finish his prescribed time in the jail. In the prosecution of this case Mr. Miller was assisted by C. C. Leforge. For the defense Strohm and J. M. Gray were the counsel.

The other case is that of Mrs. Christina Jones against the City Electric Street Railway Co. In the circuit court Mrs. Jones got judgment against the company for \$2500 for injuries resulting from being struck by a street car on North Water street. The lady was knocked down by a moving car while the motorman was inside collecting fares. Attorney D. D. Hill was counsel for Mrs. Jones. The supreme court refuses to interfere with the verdict of the jury.

BLUE MOUND TOWNSHIP BALLOT.

REPUBLICAN.	DEMOCRATIC.
For Supervisor, ☐ W. I. LUNDY.	For Supervisor, ☐ J. W. TURNER.
For Town Clerk, ☐ E. W. JOKISCH.	For Town Clerk, ☐ WILLIAM M. AUSTIN.
For Assessor, ☐ E. N. DURNING.	For Assessor, ☐ R. D. HUDDLESTON.
For Collector, ☐ W. F. ELDER.	For Collector, ☐ WILLIS WALKER.
For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ T. M. TAYLOR.	For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ MATHEW CLONEY.
For Constable, ☐ M. M. McDANIEL.	

MT. ZION TOWNSHIP BALLOT.

REPUBLICAN.	DEMOCRATIC.
For Town Clerk, ☐ ALEX. ARMSTRONG.	For Town Clerk, ☐ GEORGE SMITH.
For Assessor, ☐ WM. COOMBE.	For Assessor, ☐ WM. H. WACASER.
For Collector, ☐ J. W. HODGE.	For Collector, ☐ C. B. BRITTON.
For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ C. W. THOMAS.	For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ PETER BECK.
For Constable, One year, to fill vacancy. ☐ ED. MOWRY.	For Constable, One year, to fill vacancy. ☐ STANLEY TUCKER.

LONG CREEK TOWNSHIP BALLOT.

Republican.	Democratic.
For Supervisor, ☐ JAMES WIKOFF.	For Supervisor, ☐ J. E. RUCKER.
For Town Clerk, ☐ W. E. COOMBE.	For Town Clerk, ☐ CALVIN FLOYD.
For Assessor, ☐ SAMUEL UNDERWOOD.	For Assessor, ☐ G. E. FLORA.
For Collector, ☐ GEORGE MORRIS.	For Collector, ☐ A. D. SMITH.
For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ CURTIS RORR.	For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ NEWTON SNYDER.
For Pathmasters, First District, ☐ GEORGE ALBEITZ.	For Pathmasters, First District, ☐ I. J. HECKLE.
Second District, ☐ J. S. GUSTIN.	Second District, ☐ DAVID BLOIR.
Third District, ☐ CHARLES LAMBERT.	Third District, ☐ J. H. MOWERY.
Fourth District, ☐ GEORGE HOUSMAN.	Fourth District, ☐ H. G. WHEELER.
Fifth District, ☐ WILLIAM GIRL.	Fifth District, ☐ T. M. SORAN.

Proposition to change the voting place from Long Creek School House to the Town Hall in Long Creek Station.

Yes
No

NIANTIC TOWNSHIP BALLOT.

Democratic	Republican
For Supervisor, ☐ JOHN J. GRAVES.	For Supervisor, ☐ DANIEL W. MOORE.
For Town Clerk, ☐ REUBEN HERROD.	For Town Clerk, ☐ GRANT CAUDLE.
For Assessor, ☐ GEORGE E. LINDSEY.	For Assessor, ☐ JACOB H. GROSS.
For Collector, ☐ WILLIAM H. ERISMAN.	For Collector, ☐ GEORGE STOHL.
For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ PATRICK BLAIR.	For Commissioner of Highways, ☐ JONES OHLER.

WHAT THE LADIES THINK OF.

Something About the Millinery Fashions for Spring Seen at Bradley Bros.

In the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. With the women it is different. Their fancy seriously turns to thoughts of love—loves of bonnets and hats and other feminine head gear. In the midst of the millinery openings, the approach of Easter, and the need for something new the women are now deeply engrossed with this subject and during the spring millinery opening of Bradley Bros., the leaders in this branch of fashion in Central Illinois, the ladies have had a feast the last few days. They have learned from an examination of the complete stock, that green will be one of the leading colors, that the white and black effects are seen in everything, that for early wear the close fitting turban and sailors are very popular and will be the correct thing. One prevailing style will be the wide brim over the face with fitted back upon which much of the milliner's art will be displayed. The variety of colors for decoration has never been greater and consequently the opportunities never so wide for securing handsome effects. Some of the styles which have been adopted during the opening now in progress are given below:

A unique hat of rough blond and shot colors, tinted gold and brown, a triple row of loops passing around the crown. The crown is formed of radiating loops of ribbon confined on the center by a rhinestone ornament. At each side are tails of cream and pink roses, mounted with sprays of buds and leaves, and with a tall whip of aigrettes.

A bonnet of champagne straw, green and orange, the crown being black hair lace spangled with iridescent jewels. A broad ornament in front of gilt and pearls, on the left a choux of violets and jeweled aigrettes.

A Lillian Russell hat with a more shuck blond rolling high to the left side, faced with hair lace spangled with jet, a striking new design of golden Persian ribbon and enameled green velvet. A choux of applique lace on the right side with handsome rhinestone ornaments.

Conely sailor with a crown of white satin finished, steeple, brim of black pearl braid, scarf of black and white tulle and handsome black wings finishing the left side.

Large white tulle bonnet with rim of white hair braid, silver lace crown, four handsome white tulle points, face trimming of shaded yellow roses.

The Marlborough hat is a large French chip with black rolling brim, faced with rose hair braid and white applique. A bell crown of white chip, a rope of heavy black net, graduated plumes at the left side, band of pink roses veiled with maline, handsome turban ornament of rhinestone and pearl.

A Louise hat, a handsome black satin brim, with a tan crown, brim draped with maline caught with jet cabochons, a side band of white tulle and pink roses, and a choux of white aigrettes and pink roses.

An exquisite little child's hat of tulle, a Napoleon brim, a full of applique lace and a crown of the same trimmed in cream. French plumes, a back band of pink roses and foliage.

A noble English sailor in Napoleon blue, a choux of moss velvet in front with cream blue at each side, a trim of ribbon of the same color veiled with green maline at back and rhinestone ornaments.

A handsome large picture hat formed of black maline and horse hair braid. A crown of English tulle, lilacs of the valley, magnolias and duck roses of different shades, a stock band of maline, corded with black satin and caught with a choux of steel and pearls.

Cottolady for Circuit Clerk.
In this issue Walter P. Cottolady is formally announced as a candidate for the office of circuit clerk of Macon county, subject to the decision of the Republican county convention. Mr. Cottolady is well known as one of the active young Republicans of the county, whose personal acquaintance is wide and influential. During the past eighteen years he has been the book-keeper for the present Race Manufacturing company, and for two years he was book-keeper for Morhouse & Wells. Besides being a fine penman, in many other respects Mr. Cottolady is well qualified for the position of clerk, and should he secure the nomination he will be elected by a large majority. He would make a good clerk.

Amputation Captured.
New York, April 1.—The Herald's Liberty, San Salvador, special says the Decade arrived at Puerto Cortes, Honduras, on March 29 with a cargo of ammunition which has been seized by port authorities.

Plaque Glass Front has been reset and that magic name with the untold thirteen letters in it put on again and stands out in bold relief, and didn't break the glass either. We won't break you either, but will put your feet in a nice easy pair of shoes at the right price. Finest display of Easter shoes and slippers in the city can now be seen in "that window."

WALTER HUTCHIN,
355 North Water St., Temple Block.
April 1.—d3t wit.

DIED.
Florence A. wife of T. Francis Vording, aged 47 years, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

The funeral will be held from the family residence at 475 p. m. Thursday, March 31, at the family residence 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

AT 3:30 p. m. Sunday, March 29, 1908, at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. B. J. Downing, mother of John Downing, died at her home, 1011 St. Louis avenue, aged 39 years. Her death was due to consumption. Besides her husband she leaves two sons and one daughter.

NEW HAMPSHIRE REPUBLICANS.

State Convention. Elects Delegates and Endorses Reed and McKinley.

CONCORD, N. H., March 31.—The New Hampshire Republicans in convention to-day elected delegates to St. Louis convention. United States Senator William F. Chandler presided, and was greeted enthusiastically. In taking the chair in a speech reviewed history Republican party New Hampshire, and in the nation. He said the election of Cleveland in 1884 was the reaction resulting from a very great lapse of sentiment in the party. The Democratic attack upon the protective tariff brought a reaction the other way and Harrison was elected. Through the enactment of a new tariff bill the country was restored to prosperity, and struggle to say another reaction occurred and Cleveland was again chosen president. Now there is a settled determination in the minds of the American people to restore the Republican party to power in November this year. All of which we hope and trust will be accomplished, and that hauser and our energetic, strong, magnificent New England leader, Thomas B. Reed. In conclusion he said he would leave it to the whole party to settle the question of currency. He was given close attention and was frequently applauded. The name of Reed was greeted with enthusiasm.

One ticket only for delegates at large was presented. It was chosen by acclamation. It consisted of Stephen S. Jovett, General Frank S. Streeter, Charles T. Means, Col. Jas. A. Wood. Following this Chairman Pitney presented the platform from the resolutions committee. It opens with congratulations upon near approach to a release from Democratic misrule. The demands from the St. Louis convention is the nomination of a candidate whose selection will mean a speedy repeal of the infamous, ruinous Democratic tariff, substituting therefor one based on the principles of the Missouri act; the enactment of a currency law that will provide a circulating medium in gold, silver and paper, always interchangeable at face value, and liberal appropriations for an adequate navy and coast defenses.

Favor fair and generous treatment of Union veterans; a foreign policy characterized by sturdy Americanism including the assertion of the Monroe doctrine and the moral and material support of the Cuban patriots, if they have not already achieved their independence. We recognize as most conspicuous among such candidates New England's noble, illustrious son, Thomas B. Reed, and that pure, able statesman and champion of protection, Wm. McKinley. Adjourned.

John W. Sanner for Circuit Clerk.
In to-day's issue appears the announcement of John W. Sanner as a candidate for circuit clerk at Assumption, was yesterday indicted for bucket-shop speculation on a dozen or more counts. Many of the farmers of this section invested in Webb's bucket-shop, and in consequence were heavy losers, and had him indicted. Webb's business has been enormous. He will fight the case.

GOING TO SOUTH AFRICA.
5,000 British Troops to Sail for the Cape of Good Hope.
London, April 1.—Owing to the gravity of the situation in South Africa, the government will dispatch 5,000 troops to the Cape of Good Hope as soon as possible, ready for an emergency. The British Chartered company formally requested the government the immediate dispatch of 500 troops from Cape Town to Bulawayo.

DIED WITH HIS BOOTS ON.
Carl Thoren, Notorious Outlaw, Killed by United States Marshal Richards.
GUTHRIE, Okla., April 1.—The notorious outlaw, Carl Thoren, alias Diamond Point, who led the raid on Coffeyville, Kan., and who while among the Dalton gang killed four men, was killed this morning by United States Marshal George Richards, at Dover. Both outlaw and officers exchanged ten shots. Richards gets the \$5,000 reward.

The Government Finances.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The monthly statement of the comptroller of the currency shows the total circulation of national bank notes to be \$221,000,000, being \$13,000,000 increase for the year, \$1,000,000 for the month. The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows: Total receipts, \$23,041,149; expenditures, \$27,274,983; deficit for month, \$1,233,844; for nine months of the present fiscal year, \$18,750,702.

Dygart Alive and Well.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—Official advice received at the state department from Rorer, representative of the United States in Cuba, shows that Dygart, a citizen of Illinois, arrested by Spanish authorities, is alive and well treated and that after the examination the conclusion was reached that circumstances warranted a further inquiry before the case can be disposed of by the Spanish authorities. Dygart is to be held until the inquiry is completed.

The United States Senate.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—In the senate Butler (Pop. N. C.) introduced a bill requiring acceptance of current legal tender funds in payment of notes, bonds, and private obligations. He explained that purpose of the measure was to put a stop to gold notes, gold mortgages, etc., which are being wrung from people to their dire distress. Referred to finance committee.

New Postmaster.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The president sent to the senate the following nominations for Postmasters: Wm. O. Wallace, Glenwood, Minn.; Mathias Melchior, Annapolis, Wis.; Louis Schuchnocht, Mayville, Wis.

NEW OFFICES.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The following postoffices have been related to the post office: Glenwood, Minn.; Annapolis and Mayville, Wis.

Earthquake.
ROSE, April 1.—Another earthquake shook the province of California, this time causing panic. The disturbance was also felt at Messina and Milazzo.

Better Train Service.
TACOMA, Washington, April 1.—Commencing on Sunday the Northern Pacific will run two transcontinental trains instead of one. The one between Tacoma and St. Paul has been shortened in time eight hours by putting on a fast mail train. Time eastbound will be shortened six hours.

Sunday School Convention.
Wheatland township will hold its 44th day Sunday school convention at Elwin on Sunday, April 12. The morning session will begin promptly at 10 o'clock and close at 12. Afternoon 2 to 4 o'clock and evening at 7. Everybody invited to attend. Look out for program in next week's papers. C. T. Willis, Tp. U. P. Annie B. Foster, Sec.

William L. Wright, aged 82, an old resident of Menard county, died recently.

THE CABLE TO HAWAII.

Temporary Defeat of the Senate Bill—Advocates Hopeful of Success.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—The senate committee on foreign relations decided not to report the bill for a cable to Hawaii. This result was reached after an exciting meeting and caused considerable feeling among the mountaineers. Two bills were taken up. The one to which the contract should be awarded was a point of contention. Scribner Co., New York, and Spaulding Co., New Jersey, agreed to adopt provisions of the bill being prepared in case they should be awarded the contract.

Four Democratic members of the committee, Gray, Turpie, Daniel and Mills, opposed the granting of any subsidy for the cable. The Republican senators and Senator Morgan favored the undertaking, but could not agree on the company. The advocates of the cable do not admit that an adverse vote will result in anything more serious than temporarily delaying its construction, and say they will be able to get together on some proposition.

RAILWAY ACCIDENT.

Five People Seriously Hurt—Spreading Rails the Cause.

TAMMUN, Pa., April 1.—The Butler Express on the West Pennsylvania railway was wrecked near Preetport at 9 o'clock this morning. Five persons were seriously injured. J. E. McKelvey, Butler, Pa., internally, will probably die. W. H. Walker, internally; C. G. McCafferty, Somerville; W. Gray, brakeman; Wm. Murphy, Butler. The last three were cut about the face and believed to be internally injured. The accident was caused by the rails spreading. The two rear coaches jumped the track and went over the embankment. Fire broke out immediately, the passengers narrowly escaping with their lives.

SAVES HIM FROM THE CAR.

Motorman's Friendly Push, However, Causes an Old Man's Death.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 1.—George Cross, aged 88, who is deaf, started across a street car track yesterday, unaware of the approach of a car only a few feet away. As the car drew near the motorman reached out and pushed the man from the track. The car did not touch Cross, but the motorman's friendly push unbalanced him and he fell, striking his head on the brick pavement. He died three hours later.

METHODIST ELDER IS INDICTED.

Profratant Illinois Man Charged With Running a Bucket Shop.

PANA, Ill., April 1.—L. F. Webb, of Assumption, the leading grain merchant of central Illinois and an elder in the Methodist church at Assumption, was yesterday indicted for bucket-shop speculation on a dozen or more counts. Many of the farmers of this section invested in Webb's bucket-shop, and in consequence were heavy losers, and had him indicted. Webb's business has been enormous. He will fight the case.

GOING TO SOUTH AFRICA.

5,000 British Troops to Sail for the Cape of Good Hope.

London, April 1.—Owing to the gravity of the situation in South Africa, the government will dispatch 5,000 troops to the Cape of Good Hope as soon as possible, ready for an emergency. The British Chartered company formally requested the government the immediate dispatch of 500 troops from Cape Town to Bulawayo.

DIED WITH HIS BOOTS ON.

Carl Thoren, Notorious Outlaw, Killed by United States Marshal Richards.

GUTHRIE, Okla., April 1.—The notorious outlaw, Carl Thoren, alias Diamond Point, who led the raid on Coffeyville, Kan., and who while among the Dalton gang killed four men, was killed this morning by United States Marshal George Richards, at Dover. Both outlaw and officers exchanged ten shots. Richards gets the \$5,000 reward.

The Government Finances.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The monthly statement of the comptroller of the currency shows the total circulation of national bank notes to be \$221,000,000, being \$13,000,000 increase for the year, \$1,000,000 for the month. The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows: Total receipts, \$23,041,149; expenditures, \$27,274,983; deficit for month, \$1,233,844; for nine months of the present fiscal year, \$18,750,702.

Dygart Alive and Well.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—Official advice received at the state department from Rorer, representative of the United States in Cuba, shows that Dygart, a citizen of Illinois, arrested by Spanish authorities, is alive and well treated and that after the examination the conclusion was reached that circumstances warranted a further inquiry before the case can be disposed of by the Spanish authorities. Dygart is to be held until the inquiry is completed.

The United States Senate.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—In the senate Butler (Pop. N. C.) introduced a bill requiring acceptance of current legal tender funds in payment of notes, bonds, and private obligations. He explained that purpose of the measure was to put a stop to gold notes, gold mortgages, etc., which are being wrung from people to their dire distress. Referred to finance committee.

New Postmaster.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The president sent to the senate the following nominations for Postmasters: Wm. O. Wallace, Glenwood, Minn.; Mathias Melchior, Annapolis, Wis.; Louis Schuchnocht, Mayville, Wis.

NEW OFFICES.
WASHINGTON, April 1.—The following postoffices have been related to the post office: Glenwood, Minn.; Annapolis and Mayville, Wis.

Earthquake.
ROSE, April 1.—Another earthquake shook the province of California, this time causing panic. The disturbance was also felt at Messina and Milazzo.

Better Train Service.
TACOMA, Washington, April 1.—Commencing on Sunday the Northern Pacific will run two transcontinental trains instead of one. The one between Tacoma and St. Paul has been shortened in time eight hours by putting on a fast mail train. Time eastbound will be shortened six hours.

Sunday School Convention.
Wheatland township will hold its 44th day Sunday school convention at Elwin on Sunday, April 12. The morning session will begin promptly at 10 o'clock and close at 12. Afternoon 2 to 4 o'clock and evening at 7. Everybody invited to attend. Look out for program in next week's papers. C. T. Willis, Tp. U. P. Annie B. Foster, Sec.

William L. Wright, aged 82, an old resident of Menard county, died recently.

HIGH WATER.

Damage to Cities, Farms and Railroads in the South.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., April 1.—There have been five inches of rainfall in the last five hours. The Cumberland, Clinch and Powell rivers are out of their banks. Nine trestles of the Middlesboro railroad are gone. No mail has been received here for twenty hours. The telegraph wires are under water at Harboursville. Nashville, Tenn., April 1.—A large part of Athens, Tenn., is under water. Damage to the extent of \$30,000 already done. It is still raining; the water will rise another foot.

EXTENSIVE OF THE MINNESOTA STORM.

ST. PAUL, April 1.—The railroads saw the result of yesterday's phenomenal storm to-day. Nearly all are suffering to a greater or less extent. The Omaha night train from Duluth was abandoned because of drifts near Duluth, ranging upwards of ten feet. The Great Northern suffered heavily. Farmers and lumbermen welcome the storm. They rejoice because it furnishes needed moisture for the soil and will greatly help in handling the logs in the woods. The snow ranged from a few inches here to two feet over at St. Cloud. The storm extended over more than half of Minnesota and northern Wisconsin as well.

SALE OF REAL ESTATE.

Rosa Lee to Mary Lee, the northeast quarter of southwest quarter of 28, 18, 4 east—\$1.

Henry A. Wood to T. Carroll McIntire and Nettie H. McIntire, lot 17, block 2, West Park addition to Decatur—\$500.

A. T. Risley to James A. Love, south half lot 10 in Miller & Packard's addition to Decatur—\$1,300.

Lorenzo Cracken to August Reiser, lot 21, block 1, Riverside addition to Decatur—\$1,800.

J. T. Wood to Anna B. Atterbury, lots 8 and 10, block 2, Railroad addition to Macon—\$100.

John T. Reeder to Lorenzo Cracken, lot 21, block 1, Riverside Place—\$3,000.

A. B. Trexell to Jacob Wilson, lots 1 and 2, block 2, Merchants' addition to Argenta—\$150.

Sylvester E. Wilson to Samuel Bata, lot 1, block 2, in Philip Bull's addition to Blue Mound—\$500.

C. G. Wood to M. H. Bowers, lot 30 feet in width of the east side of lot 25 in block 3, Higgins' addition to Decatur—\$2,000.

IN HONOR OF PRINCE BISMARCK.

FRIEDRICHSHAGEN, Germany, April 1.—Prince Bismarck was 81 years old on Monday, and in honor of his birthday, bands of music played in Schloss park all of this morning. Count Herbert Bismarck arrived yesterday but his brother, Count Wilhelm, absent on account of ill health. Representatives from the Hamburg senate, bearing congratulations from that body, arrived during the day. Many telegrams and presents with floral tributes for Prince Bismarck have been received. The weather is fine and cool and many people are assembled about the gates, but up to this time Bismarck had not appeared. Emperor William's present to the prince was a photograph of the imperial family, handsomely framed.

THE FEELING IN SPAIN.

NEW YORK, April 1.—The Herald's Madrid special says: The *Impartial* attack on Senator Sherman has been printed in all the papers, which still teem with big cartoons. *La Correspondencia* prints a picture with the caption, "First Victory for Maeco," which shows a negro riding a pig labeled "Senate," waving a declaration of beligerency.

THE ARIZONA GOVERNOR.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—Acting Secretary Hayden of the Interior department, telegraphed to Governor Hughes of Arizona, that he has been removed from office, to take effect at once, and directing him to turn over the office to Secretary Bruce. This was in response to a telegram from the latter saying Hughes refused to vacate.

A DEAD LOCK IN OHIO.

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, April 1.—The Republican congressional district convention which balloted all day yesterday, without nomination, did the same to-day. Delegates to St. Louis will not be selected until the deadlock is broken and a candidate is named for congress.

CURFEW LAW AT OMAHA.

OMAHA, Neb., April 1.—The city council has passed the curfew ordinance over the mayor's veto. The law will go into effect at once.

MORE TROUBLE EXPECTED IN ASIA MINOR.

LONDON, April 1.—In the house of commons Rt. Hon. George N. Curzon, parliamentary secretary to the foreign office, said that consular reports which had been received indicated that there would probably be a renewal of the recent disorders in part of Asia Minor. Mr. Curzon stated also that reports in regard to the matter.

A VARIETOUS QUESTION DECIDED.

WASHINGTON, April 1.—Attorney-General Harmon has decided that the secretary of the treasury has no power to refund penal duties already paid. This question has been pending in the treasury for some time and has been the subject of much vexation and worry to both the department and importers.

FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Get an EASTER SUIT...

Our Fine Suits,

New and Up to Date, Style and Cut New, Low Prices on them. COME where you CHOOSE from the hundreds.

Men's Good All Wool Cheviot Suits,

In Light and Dark Shades, at \$6.00.

Men's Good Suits at \$8.50, \$10, \$12,

In Black Clay and Fancy Cheviots, Cassimeres, &c., in Frocks and Sacks.

Our Fine Suits

At \$15, \$16.50, \$19 and \$20.
Finely tailored, some Silk Lined.
All the very Latest Styles. Just
HALF what made-to-measure
kind cost. OURS just as good.



New Easter Styles of Neckwear.
New Easter Styles of Shirts.
New Array of Boy's Suits.

Thousands to choose from at the
VERY LOWEST CASH PRICES.

Ottenheimer & Co.

The Progressive Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers.
Telephone 182. MASONIC TEMPLE.

DELAY IS FATAL!

CONSULT AT ONCE

DR. E. J. WALSH, Specialist

CONSULTATION
FREE!



CURES
GUARANTEED!

Late of Chicago, formerly President of the Medical and Surgical Staff of St. Anthony's Hospital, permanently located in Decatur, Ill.

ACKNOWLEDGED

By the Medical Profession,
By the Press,
By all as the

WORLD'S GREATEST and ONLY SUCCESSFUL SPECIALIST IN CHRONIC, NERVOUS and SURGICAL DISEASES OF BOTH SEXES.

WALSH MEDICAL INSTITUTE, 218 North Main Street, Decatur, Ill.
Hours: 9-12, 2-5, 7-8, Sunday 11-1.
OFFICE CLOSED THURSDAYS.

ALL Diseases of the Eye and Ear.
HYDROLYSE cured in three days. SURGICAL OPERATIONS performed at your home when desired. Abundant and brain surgery specialties. Only entrance exam taken. List of references and credentials. If you cannot call, write, strictly private and confidential.

FIELD TEST!

FIGURES WON'T LIE!

...HUMMER...

Nearly One-Fifth Lighter Draft!

Casaday Gang vs. Hummer Gang.

Here is the result of the trial made on the farm of W. T. Beadles, 3 miles northeast of Prairie Hill, Macon county, Illinois, March 25, 1896:

CASADAY.				HUMMER.			
Trials.	Weight of Draft.	Width of Furrow.	Depth.	Trials.	Weight of Draft.	Width of Furrow.	Depth.
1.	500 lbs.	27 1/2 inches.	4 1/2 in.	1.	500 lbs.	28 1/2 inches.	5 in.
2.	400 lbs.	27 1/2 inches.	4 1/2 in.	2.	400 lbs.	28 1/2 inches.	4 1/2 in.
3.	400 lbs.	27 1/2 inches.	4 1/2 in.	3.	400 lbs.	28 1/2 inches.	4 1/2 in.

Total Weight of Draft of Casaday.....1,350 lbs.
Total Weight of Draft of Hummer.....1,300 lbs.

See the difference? 50 lbs. in favor of the HUMMER. But wait till you compare amount of dirt actually moved. Here it is: Casaday turned 31 1/2 square inches; HUMMER turned 47 1/4 square inches. For every square inch of dirt moved the HUMMER required only 3 1/4 pounds. ACTUAL LIGHTER DRAFT OF HUMMER on total amount of square inches of dirt moved in the three trials was 26 pounds. The judges who made the above trials of draft were Walter Hodges, Charles Mack and William Shuatz.

You can secure one of these World Beater "HUMMER" GANG PLOWS of

Leon & Morris,
135 EAST WOOD STREET, DECATUR, ILL.

ILLINOIS REPUBLICANS.

Action of Vermilion County Insures Two More McKinley Delegates.

DANVILLE, Ill., March 25.—Owing to the action taken yesterday by the Vermilion county Republican convention, it is settled that the Twelfth Illinois congressional district will send two delegates to St. Louis who will be instructed to vote for William McKinley for president. It is also settled that the twenty-three delegates from Vermilion county, constitute a majority. The instructions were passed after a warm debate, lasting nearly two hours. W. J. Calhoun, M. W. Thompson, E. A. Nye, C. Chamberlain spoke in favor of McKinley, and W. J. Calhoun, C. A. Allen, I. A. Love and W. G. Heron argued strongly against instructing the delegates to vote for McKinley. A compromise was finally reached by which the original McKinley resolution, supplementary sent off for Senator Cullom. After this was done it was passed by a unanimous vote. It reads as follows:

Resolved, By the Republican county convention of Vermilion county, Ill., that the delegates to the state convention and congressional convention are hereby instructed to vote for delegates to the National Republican convention at St. Louis who will vote for William McKinley for president as long as there is any chance for his nomination. We declare our confidence in the patriotism and integrity of Shelby M. Cullom, appreciating his most patriotic service to the state, and in case there appears to be no chance for the nomination of William McKinley, after our delegates have done all in their power to instruct them to vote for Shelby M. Cullom, we receive the united support of the Illinois delegates.

The delegates to the state convention are W. R. Jewell, E. A. Nye, J. D. Bennett, M. B. Bailey, L. D. Glass, Linde, H. B. Bond, C. H. Campbell, E. Cray, M. Marchild, M. Campbell, E. A. Whitman, Nelson E. Rose, J. A. Cunningham, W. G. Heron, J. A. Cox, J. G. Canady, T. A. Taylor, R. P. Harrison, Roy Taylor, F. M. Grundy and Frank Carter.

A large number of politicians were present. Among them were W. A. Northcott, T. S. Chapman and David Ross, candidates for lieutenant governor; Homer J. Tien and I. I. Pearson, for secretary of state; M. Caldwell, for clerk of the supreme court; J. C. W. Raymond and Senator Bogardus.

Some of the delegates to the congressional convention say they will support ex-Congressman Wheeler, of Kansas, and William Snapp, of Joliet, for national delegates. Mr. Wheeler has already been named by Kansas, and Mr. Snapp by Will county.

Olney Will Be a Candidate.
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 25.—Secretary of State Olney will in all probability be a candidate before the Democratic convention at Chicago. The president's understanding is that Massachusetts will present his name and send a solid delegation for him. Instead of his boom collapsing after the administration gave orders to Federal office-holders to fall in line and "keep their heads up" for Secretary Olney, it took on a new impetus. Even the faithful mugwump idolaters up in New England have refused to obey their master in the white house and throw their influence to the Kentucky statesman. In the contrary, the most elaborate preparations are now going on in Massachusetts to launch the Olney boom with the biggest kind of hurrah.

Olney seems to be in the race, and his State, it is learned, will show up at Chicago with a practically unanimous delegation in his favor. It is about settled that the delegates at large from Massachusetts will be ex-Gov. William E. Russell, ex-Congressman John E. Russell, ex-Congressman Geo. Frederick Williams and either Mayor Josiah Quincy or Gen. John W. Cochrane.

It is understood that Gov. Russell has voluntarily retired from the race in favor of Secretary Olney, and will make the speech nominating that gentleman for the presidency.

Up to a very few weeks ago it was believed that Gov. Russell would be put forth as the standard bearer of the Bay State, but, as stated above, he has been called off, and is now with Olney. Mr. Olney's friends will not be content to simply go to Chicago backed by New England support, but they are going to invade the most hostile territory and vote for their favorite. The New York and of the line is being worked by Mr. Olney's brother, aided by some of the shrewdest politicians in the Empire state.

PRIEST NOW INDICTED.

Grand Jury at Champaign, Ill., Tuesday Upon the Flag on Parochial School.

CHAMPAIGN, Ill., March 25.—Following the indictment returned by the grand jury for neglect to comply with the flag law, the grand jury has indicted Father Anthony J. Wagner, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic church, of this city, for neglecting to float the flag over St. Mary's parochial school. There is a marked degree of public excitement over the indictment of the priest, and a citizens' meeting is called for to-morrow evening to give expression to popular sentiment on the subject. President Draper, of the university, in an interview this evening said no trustees had expended probably \$600 in the past four years in keeping the national colors in the breeze daily; besides, he said, if there had been neglect to comply with the law it was only a minor offense and was punishable on information a justice of the peace. "An indictment in such a case," said he, "is calculated to bring the administration of criminal law into ridicule."

NOVEL FEAT OF A YOUNG WOMAN.

Runs 25 Centuries Wheeling a Business Man Around the Block.

LUNDENBURG, Mich., March 27.—Miss Florence Johnson, a school teacher, gave Frank Aubrey, a business man, a wheelbarrow ride on one of the principal streets. It was the way she earned 25 cents for an experience school.

Assault Followed by Suicide.

INDEPENDENCE, Kan., March 28.—A serious affray occurred at a dance at the Thompson, south of here, in the Territory, near Rock Ford, last night. A quarrel arose during which Will Jolly struck the McMane a Justice of the Peace ball bat, seriously and perhaps fatally injuring him. Jolly was arrested by Deputy Marshal Gibson to-day, but escaped, and before he could be captured he committed suicide by shooting himself with a Winchester. Jolly was ill and unconscious, and it is thought he died. He is only 16, and Jolly was about two years older.

Forgot Exertion Sentenced.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 28.—Joseph S. Edgerton, an insurance agent, formerly of this city, who forged the name of Rev. George Trenholm to a note for \$300, which was sold to the National bank of St. Joseph, and who was captured in Maryland, Pa., was sentenced to the penitentiary to-day for ten years. Edgerton is wanted in Chicago, St. Louis, Denver and other cities for forgeries.

REED'S TURN.

The Massachusetts State Convention Shouts For Him.

OLD NEW ENGLAND EXTOLLED.

The Convention Consists of 2002 Delegates, of Whom 1851 are Present.—The Four Delegates May Be Instructed for Reed.

Boston, March 27.—The Republican state convention was called to order at 10:15 to-day. Long before the delegates could assemble in the hall the audience filled by cheering prominent members as they entered. The first grand rally came when Chairman Geo. H. Lyman, followed by the state committee, mounted the platform. Lyman called the convention to order and the call was read. Bishop Lawrence offered prayer, in which he eloquently referred to the justice and purity of the life of the late Governor Greenhalge. Lyman then addressed the delegates. He said they were assembled to outline a policy for the Commonwealth when he shall meet the representatives of our country in the most important national convention in the history of the Great American Party. Let the national convention stand true to the best interests of the Republican party, an honest and the institutions of our country and the party will be as a possibility. He said New England was first and most foremost in establishing the great government under which we live. He referred to the New England man as the bulwark of our American people. New England cannot be so easily affected by the selfish day than in the days of the thirteen colonies when it presents its chosen chieftain, Thomas Brackett Reed. At the mention of the name of Reed there was loud applause, the ladies in the galleries joining.

The committee on credentials and on permanent organizations were appointed. The credentials committee reported 1851 delegates present out of 2002 entitled to seats in the convention. Congressman Samuel W. McCall, of Winchester, was chosen permanent chairman. His introduction was the signal for a great ovation.

Chairman McCall addressed himself first to the business situation, and attributed the prevailing depression to the Democratic party. He said the first of Cleveland was to put the treasury into the hands of a gentleman with a lack of financial capacity never before known in high office. He declared that the sale of a few bonds at first would have averted the danger to the gold reserve, but when the Republican statesmen, but when the great dike for the preservation of sound currency was once broken down by millions of bonds were at once uselessly thrown into the breach. Reviewing national finances since 1881 he said the Republican party had given the country prosperity which had not been interrupted as a principle until protection had been threatened. "To sum up the whole matter," he said, "it is enough to know that the national policy of protection, established by George Washington, has achieved for us an independence as necessary as that which he won by his sword." Referring to the subject of the currency he said it is not enough that we should have a dollar which represents for the time being, any element of value, but should be so solidly placed on a basis that it can stand there with out alteration or change. He declared that any serious threat against such stability would reduce earnings 10 per cent. The obvious remedy for the present financial straits is to call back to power the party that has shown the capacity to manage the treasury, which always provided the needed revenue and devised ways to strengthen, not weaken, gold reserve. But this is not enough. We owe it to our friends, and to the country, to take a bold and unequivocal stand on our position.

While we should exert our influence with foreign nations for cooperation, securing any necessary broadening of the financial basis, we should not, without that cooperation, take a single ounce of gold to the foreign market. The metal under which the treasury vaults are now groaning. He concluded: "If fellow-representatives, you want a leader who will make not only a great candidate but a great president, who will strengthen the party through the signal benefits it will confer upon the country then I ask the Republicans of the nation to join hands with you and put at the head of their columns in the battle of 1896 that man of dauntless courage, unflinching honor, and consummate skill who beat down the obstruction that paralyzed the house of representatives; that broad-minded, enlightened statesman, Thomas Brackett Reed, of Maine."

Senator Lodge, as chairman, presented a report of the committee on resolutions, which was frequently interrupted by applause. This was especially marked when the Cuban and gold standard plank and the sections referring to separation of church and state were read. The enthusiasm rose to a climax on the mention of Reed's name for the presidency. The platform pledges the electoral vote of Massachusetts to the candidate to be chosen by the St. Louis convention. It says that a thirty years' rule has shown the Republican party, both in war and peace, able to govern and legislate. For the reason that a national administration should be taken away from those who have failed, and be returned to those who have been successful. It asserts that the government should have ample revenue with sufficient credit to enable it to expand its resources to provide for constant defense, steadily building of a navy, constant reduction of the public debt. It says the present tariff with its lowered rates, its destructive, dishonest, system of undervaluations should be replaced by one framed on the principle of reciprocity, with the reciprocal policy restored. It declares that American ships should carry the American trade, the freight to be paid by Americans. It says silver agitation is hurtful to business, destructive to confidence, and is entirely opposed to the free coinage of silver. It demands a change in existing gold standard except by international agreement; opposes as unwise and dangerous the system of state banks; supports the national banking system; favors honest enforcement of the city and county laws; declares that the United States should adhere strictly to the American principle and entirely separate church and state, and opposes the appropriation of public money for sectarian schools which should not be permitted. It declares that foreign policy at all times firm, vigorous and dignified; declares the Monroe doctrine must always be supported; sympathizes with the Cubans in their struggle for independence, and declares a preference for Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency. Lodge offered a resolution on the death of Governor Greenhalge, and also ex-Governor Robinson, which was adopted by a rising vote. The following

delegates to the national convention were chosen by acclamation: Henry Cabot Lodge, W. T. Murray, Eben S. Draper and Curtis Guild, Jr.

While the rollers were counting the ballots for alternate delegates at large, Lodge, pursuant to the request of Chairman McCall, addressed the convention and said: "Every right minded man must know that no free silver bill can ever pass congress. The day of concessions has passed. We have been very easy with silver men, but in the last few months they have taken the tariff bill by the throat which had no silver question in it and strangled it. Henceforward we must take a firm stand on the question."

DEPEW'S IPS.

Chauncey Discourages on the Outcome of the St. Louis Convention.

If McKinley is Not Nominated on the First Ballot, and if There Are No Delegates Who Prefer Him for Second Choice Somebody Else May Be Nominated, He Says.

LOS ANGELES, March 26.—A special train bearing the Vanderbilts party arrived last evening. Chauncey M. Depew in an interview said concerning the political situation generally, that it is conceded McKinley will receive more votes than any other candidate on the first ballot. This, however, will single him out as a dangerous rival to all others, causing the formation of new combinations to counteract the influence of his candidacy upon wavering delegations and then direct attention to those who were at first secondary. If McKinley is not nominated on the first ballot, he cannot avoid meeting, as a result, such as may be effected by the failure which usually occurs on the second ballot to seek to satisfy the preferences of doubtful states.

MCKINLEY DECLINED.

Thomas Platt, It Is Said, Made Overtures to the Ohio Man.

NEW YORK, March 27.—There has been a rumor to the effect that Mr. Platt has been quietly trying to make terms with McKinley.

The first story was to the effect that Mr. Platt had, through a mutual friend, expressed a desire to meet Marcus Aurelius Hanna, the millionaire, who is managing the McKinley canvass. The reason why he wanted to meet the Ohioan was not stated at first, and Mr. Hanna sent back word that he was too busy to go but unless he knew what he was going for.

Mr. Platt again communicated with Mr. Hanna, stating that his business was of a political nature, and related to the possible nomination of McKinley for president at the coming St. Louis convention.

Mr. Platt did not hear from Mr. Hanna for several days, and when he did it was only to learn that McKinley did not want his support in the event of the nomination of McKinley.

The explanation of the reasons for the refusal is interesting. It is said that Mr. Platt attached several conditions to his agreement to support McKinley. In the first place he insisted upon having a written promise from McKinley to the effect that in case he was elected, the patronage of the entire state of New York was to be placed at the disposal of Mr. Platt.

The Napoleon from Ohio would not listen to this proposition for a minute, and Mr. Hanna has to decline Mr. Platt's offer with thanks. It is said that in his note to the "easy boss" he claimed McKinley would be nominated without the assistance of New York.

MCKINLEY'S MARCH.

He Captures the Thirtieth Illinois Congressional District.

CLINTON, March 26.—(Special to Republicans.)—The DeWitt county Republican convention was held to-day. The congressional delegates were instructed to vote for McKinley delegates to the National convention by a unanimous vote. Instructions were also given for Tanager, Warner, McCullough, McDowell, Cuddeback and Mason.

This action insures the Thirtieth Congressional district for McKinley. McLean county has already instructed for McKinley.

MEDAL FOR SENATOR SEWELL.

For conspicuous Gallantry at the Battle of Chancellorsville.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—A medal of honor has been awarded to Brevet Major General William J. Sewell, United States Senator from New Jersey, by direction of the President, for conspicuous gallantry at the battle of Chancellorsville, May 3, 1862. Although a colonel and badly wounded, this officer, now senator, assumed command of a brigade of troops and remained throughout the battle on the field.

THE MCKINLEY BROOM.

Sweeps Minnesota Clean—Last Delegates Elected To-day.

RESTON, MINN., March 27.—The first district Republicans to-day elected McKinley delegates to the St. Louis convention. The action makes Minnesota solid for McKinley.

McKinley Mass Meeting.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., March 27.—A great mass meeting was held in this city last evening for the purpose of giving an expression of the sentiment of the people regarding the candidacy of McKinley. But one day's notice of the meeting had been given out, but the attendance was large and the gathering enthusiastic. Speeches were made by a number of prominent men, and all were of the same tenor. It was in the interest of no man save one—the apostle of protection—and his name was the signal of an outburst of applause every time it was mentioned. Strong resolutions were adopted and strong taken to organize McKinley club, which will start into existence at once with a large membership.

A Georgia Fight.

MACON, Ga., March 26.—In a fight near between the Maynard brothers, George, App and Mack, on one side and Walcott Jackson and Tom Hoyau on the other, the result of an old feud, all were wounded, App Maynard and Walcott Jackson fatally. They are all prominent farmers.

Verdict in a Fatal Suit.

LONDON, March 27.—In the libel suit of Mrs. Arthur Kitson against Dr. Wm. Playfair, a verdict in favor of the plaintiff was rendered to-day for \$50,000.

Mrs. J. J. Bowman Roasted Alive.

HENRY, O. T., March 26.—The wife of J. J. Bowman while endeavoring to extinguish a fire in her home, fell through the rafters and hung head downward and while in that condition was roasted alive before the eyes of her husband who was unable to help her.

A GREWSOME PRIZE

Found in a Box of Unclaimed Freight.

THE BADLY DECOMPOSED BODY OF A MAN

Packed in Chloride of Lime and Hermetically Sealed in a Zinc Box Made to Fit a New Trunk and Consigned to Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 26.—In a box among a lot of unclaimed freight bought by a man in Austin, Ill., this afternoon was found a box containing the body of a man packed in chloride of lime and badly decomposed. It was marked to G. M. Morgan, 165 South Morgan street, Chicago.

Philip Gress and Carl Hoff, both of Austin, came into the city to-day and bought a lot of unclaimed freight which was stored in the warehouses of Waken & McLaughlin, on South Water street. The goods were delivered at the house of Hoff, where the boxes were opened. The first one they opened contained a new trunk. Around it was packed a layer of sawdust. The trunk was opened, and inside was found a hermetically sealed box of zinc made to fit the trunk. This being broken open, was found to hold the corpse of a man badly decomposed. It had first been doubled up and wrapped with small rope, and then packed in tight with chloride of lime.

The men were horrified at their find, and, with Mr. Hoff, went to the police station at Austin and reported their experience. A patrol wagon was sent for the body, and it was taken to the county morgue. The police are now working on the case, trying to discover where the body came from and why it was so packed. The name of G. M. Morgan does not appear in the Chicago directory.

J. Wallace Waken, of the firm of Waken & McLaughlin, was seen late last night in regard to the mysterious box. He immediately knew to what box was referred when he was approached.

"That box," he said, "was stored with us by the Michigan Central railroad a year ago. We put it in the warehouse, and I recall now that bad odors were noticeable around it. We had some barrels of water standing around for use in case of fire, and I had the water changed frequently, thinking it was the standing water which made the offensive smell. Of late it has not been noticed. Two weeks ago, knowing the box was to be sold, we made an effort to find its owner, but no one knew of a G. M. Morgan. The box was put up and sold, and that is all I know about it. Where it came from I do not know."

The body was shipped from Utah, Chicago, March 27.—It has been ascertained from the books of the Northwestern Railway company the box containing the corpse which was sold as unclaimed freight at the auction sale yesterday was shipped from Salt Lake City. The officials there have been communicated with, with the view of identifying the body.

DAVIS' MILLIONS.

Heirs Panic Stricken By a Petition Filed By a Woman Claiming to be His Wife.

She Alleges She Married Him in 1842 and Two Children Born to Them are Living—Wants a Legal Division of the Property.

BUTTE, Mont., March 26.—There was great consternation in the camp of the numerous heirs and claimants of the Davis millions this morning when a petition was filed in behalf of the Utah-Highland Queen Davis, otherwise known as Judith Suel, of Kern county, Cal., asking for the revocation of the old will, and laying claim to the whole estate, alleging that she was the surviving wife of the dead antiques. Davis was not known to have been married. However, the petition alleges the woman married Davis August 15, 1842, and that two children were born to them, both married and living in California. After the marriage Davis went to California, and the wife having been dead, married again, and later on moved to California, where she met him. The petitioner asks that the property be divided according to law, by which she is entitled to half and the two daughters each to one-fourth.

SUES QUEEN VICTORIA FOR DEBT

Canadian Claims \$1000 for Flowers Purchased at a Wedding.

MONTREAL, Que., March 27.—A strange case, coming out of the state funeral of Sir John Thompson, is up in the exchequer court to-day. It is the case of W. B. Davidson, vs. the Queen, for flowers supplied at that occasion. Mr. Davidson claims \$1000, and the Queen, as represented by the executive council, offers \$500 in full settlement. Mr. Davidson says he will fight the case to the bitter end.

Decision Under the New Ballot Law.

MOORE VICTORY, Ill., March 27.—A decision was rendered here last night under the Australian ballot law, as to who should be the candidate of the temperance party for Police Magistrate. J. P. Carter was a candidate before the recent city convention of the temperance party, and was defeated. He therefore filed a previous circulated petition with the proper officials as a regular candidate of the temperance party yesterday Dr. Irons, on behalf of the temperance Executive Committee brought suit against him, contesting his right to place on the temperance ticket a previously circulated petition with the proper officials as a regular candidate of the temperance party. The commission sustained Carter. The regular temperance candidate will have to withdraw and charge the name of their ticket, as there can be but one candidate for each office on one ticket. The case was the first of the kind arising here under the new law.

PRESIDENT HYPOCRISY, chief executive of Bayti, is dead.

Acute Dyspepsia.

SYMPATHETIC HEART DISEASE OFTEN ATTENDS IT.

The Modern Treatment Consists in Removing the Cause.

(From the *Quintessence of Medicine*, Vol. 1, No. 1, 1896.)

Mrs. J. Carter, who has resided in Chicago, Iowa, for the past twenty-two years, tells an interesting story of what she considers rescue from premature death. Her narrative is as follows:

"For ten years prior to 1884, I was a constant sufferer from acute stomach trouble. I had all the manifold symptoms of acute dyspepsia, and at times other troubles were present in complication. I did not know what it was to enjoy a meal. No matter how careful I might be as to the quality, quantity and preparation of my food, distress always followed eating. I was dependent and listless. Almost to the point of insanity at times, and would have been glad to die. Often and often I could not sleep. Symptoms of heart trouble set in, and I was again obliged to call a doctor in the night to relieve sudden attacks of suffocation which would come on without a moment's warning."

My troubles increased as time wore on and I spent large sums in doctor bills, being compelled to have medical attendants almost constantly. I was unable to do my work, and was unable to get on my feet. I was reduced to a skeleton. A consultation of physicians was unable to determine just what the ailment was. The doctors gave up their opinion that the probable trouble was indigestion of the stomach and held out no hope of recovery. One doctor said, "All I can do to relieve your suffering is by the use of opium."

About this time a friend of mine, Mrs. Seymour Smith, of Glenwood, Iowa, told me of the case of Mr. Thompson of Oxford Junction, Iowa. This lady said she had been afflicted much the same as I had, she had consulted local physicians without relief, and had gone to St. Louis for treatment. Giving up all hope of recovery, she was persuaded by a friend to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The result was almost magical.

I was led to enter them from her experience, and five many months I felt better than I had for a dozen years. I am now almost free from trouble, and if through some error of my diet I feel badly I get a few more pills and am right again. I have regained my strength and am once more in my usual health. I sleep well and can eat without distress. I have no doubt that I owe my recovery to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. I only wish that I had heard of them years ago, so that I could have saved myself years of suffering and much money.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are for sale by all the druggists and can be ordered direct from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, 233 North Second St., New York City. Price, 25 cents per box, or six boxes for \$1.50.



CUT PRICES

All Through the Store
THIS WEEK.

Special Prices this week on Decorated Dishes—New Pattern. See what you can buy for \$5.98—100 Pieces:

- 12 Flat Plates, 12 Breakfast Plates, 12 Dinner Plates, 12 Salad Plates, 12 Coffee Plates, 12 Handled Teas, 12 Creamer, 1 Covered Butter, 1 Covered Dish, 12 Cup Plates, 12 Sauce Dishes, 1 Gravy Boat, 1 Pickle Dish, 1 Olive Dish, 2 Meat Plates, 1 Large Bowl.

All for the small sum of \$5.98.

Did you ever see such a Bargain?

- Best Parlor Matches..... 1c
- 12 Boxes Carpet Tacks..... 10c
- 25c Curry Comb..... 10c
- 1c Tea Kettles..... 15c
- 1c Wash Bowls (copper bottom)..... 15c
- Wood Frames Wagon..... \$1.49
- Best Churn, 1c the market..... 3.75
- Double Washboard..... 19c

NOTION DEPARTMENT.

- 10c Hump Hooks and Eyes, 5c card.
- Corset Clasp, 5c and 8c.
- Elastic Ribbon, 6c, 7c, 8c, 9c.
- Torchon Laces, 5c and 10c for 12 yds.
- Extra Large Towel, 10c
- Large Napkins, 3c
- Two packages Best Pins, 5c.
- Good Suspenders, 15c.
- Good Corsets, 25c.
- Draw Shields, 10c and 12c.
- 24 sheets Note Paper, 3c.
- Twisted Cords, 5c yard.
- Garter Web, 3c.

WALL PAPER!

We are showing all the Latest Patterns. We will make a special price this week at 4c Per Roll.

WINDOW SHADES with bestspring roller go for 17c.

CURTAIN POLES AND MIXTURES, all complete, 15c.

If you want to save money, this is your place.

For Easter.

...YOU ARE NO DOUBT LOOKING FOR...

PROPERLY MADE,
PERFECT FITTING,
POPULAR PRICE

Children's and Boys' Clothing

And Juvenile Wear of All
Kinds. We Invite You to
Give Us a Call...

B. STINE CLOTHING CO.,

245-240 N. WATER ST. NEXT TO BRADLEY BROS.

THE NEWEST

Tinsel and Leather Belts,
Shell Side Combs,
Ladies' Pocketbooks,
Card Cases,
Toilet Goods, &c.

W. R. Abbott & Co.,
Jewelers.

SALVATION OIL

The Greatest Cure on Earth for Pain. Cures
permanently Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Sciatica,
Sprains, Cuts, Bruises, Scalds, Burns, Swellings,
Backache or any other pain. SALVATION OIL
is sold everywhere for 25 cts. Refuse substitutes.

See LAMPE'S PLUGS, the Great Tobacco Antiseptic. Dealers of mail A.C. Meyer & Co., Baltimore, Md.

...Elegant Styles...

Shirt Waists

49c, 59c, 69c,
89c, 99c, \$1.50,
\$1.75 and \$2.00.

LAROE

Bishop Sleeves.

TALKS upon practical Subjects,
Edited by Marion Harland.

Given Away with \$1.00 Worth of Goods Bought.

H. C. Anthony
DECATUR, ILL.

Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY APRIL 2, 1896.

LOCAL NEWS.

Cows at the S. M. Lutz sale sold a \$35 to \$42 a head. Calves at \$6 to \$22.

Friday, April 17, has been officially designated as "Arbor Day" in the state of Illinois.

Mama eats a Cascairet, baby gets the benefit. Cascairet makes mother's milk mildly purgative.

In the county court yesterday Frank P. Roddy confessed judgment in favor of Agnes V. Roddy for \$975.

Inspector those handsome Haines and Reed & Son's pianos at the C. B. Prescott music house. They are leaders and all the ladies praise them.

The Wabash earnings for the third week in March amounted to \$229,592; for the first two weeks in March, \$477,495; increase over 1895, \$3,004.

Just received—A full line of fresh garden seeds from the best and most reliable seedsmen by the Spencer & Lehman company. Feb. 25, d&w 3 mo.

Governor Altgeld has restored the rights of citizenship to George Tucker, of Decatur; James R. Wyatt, of Cuba, and Shady Wilmoth, of Lincoln.

It will soon be in order for those who aspire to draw salaries as county officials to publicly make known the fact by having formal announcements in the newspapers of the county.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman company for fine surreys, carriages and extension top buggies and road wagons, and a full line of medium grade vehicles. Feb. 25, d&w 11

What's the matter with you? Eat stippato? Cascairet will cure. Eat them like candy.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

On May 18 the Congregational ministers of Illinois will begin their conference at Aurora. The people of that city are now making elaborate preparations for the entertainment of the visiting clergymen.

NO ONE HELD RESPONSIBLE.

The Coroner's Jury Decide That Scott McGlasson Came to His Death Accidentally, by the Falling Building.

The jury in the coroner's inquest over the body of Scott McGlasson, who was killed by the falling building Tuesday, met again last evening at Wyckoff and Reeve's undertaking establishment after adjourning twice. There was about 50 persons in attendance and quite an array of legal talent. Attorney Johns represented the building, Attorneys O. W. Smith and Buckingham appeared for McGlasson and Drew and O'Mara represented Mr. Milligan, the owner of the building. The jury did not hold anyone responsible for the death of the child. About ten minutes after the evidence had been introduced they returned the following verdict:

We, the undersigned jurors, sworn to inquire of the death of Scott McGlasson, do find that he came to his death by the falling of a building located at 541 Front street, Decatur, Ill., on the 24th day of March, A. D. 1896.

H. D. HEIL,
A. T. GRIST,
W. W. CONNARD,
J. H. RAYNE,
E. HAMPTON,
A. J. JACQUES.

The Evidence.

The first witness examined was J. H. Johnson, the night clerk at the restaurant. He said that he was behind the counter of the restaurant waiting on two men, one, Engineer Boyd of the Vandalia, and a Wabash fireman, when he heard a cracking noise. The men remarked about it and the witness came out to see what the trouble was. As he did so the building began to fall and when they went out the bricks were falling on the sidewalk. He looked back and saw the building in ruins, and thinking that all were killed called for help from the police headquarters and the fire department. The little boy was found about one hour and a half after the accident. Witnesses were near by when the body was taken out.

Officer Andy Lord was next examined. He is on the day force and knew nothing of the accident, but had noticed the building the day before the collapse occurred. He had made remarks about the building being unsafe to several persons. He talked with Fred Wedel about it and they both were of the opinion that the place was dangerous. The witness did not report the matter to anyone. There were four or five holes under the wall of the old building and they were all open the night before. Where the dirt was not dug out there was an embankment about two feet wide outside of the wall. The excavating under the wall was done on Monday. The witness did not hear any of the workmen about the place say anything about it being unsafe.

Martin Kinney testified that he was in the building when it collapsed, and went down with the wall. He first heard a cracking, and thinking that it was fire gave an alarm, but in a moment the building was falling. He knew that the boy was buried in the ruins, and believed that he came to his death by the falling building. Was not there when the body was taken out. He never entertained any fears, but believed the building was shaky and not safe. He thought they were digging too far under the wall. McGlasson had expressed the same opinion to the witness the night before the accident. McGlasson thought it was unsafe, but did not think it would fall. Witness had not talked with any of the workmen about the matter. The part that was now standing, he thought, was a later addition to the building. A hole had been made under the wall of this new part. He heard several persons say that the wall looked old and shaky.

P. W. Donahue was put on the stand and testified that he kept a saloon near where the accident occurred. He believed that he was the first person to arrive at the scene of the accident. He was near when the child was taken out of the ruins apparently dead. The boy had evidently been killed by the falling of the building. Witness had talked to Mr. Taggart about the affair. The latter said that he had expressed himself the night before as being of the opinion that the place was dangerous. C. Sanders had also said that the building was unsafe. The people who came into the witness' saloon were of the general opinion that the building was in a dangerous condition. The witness knew nothing of the construction of the building. The excavations under the wall went into the cellar.

After the examination of Mr. Donahue Attorney Johns asked for a short time for consultation, but announced a short time later that he was satisfied with the evidence introduced, and the case was turned over to the jury.

Judgments.

In the county court last evening Judge Hammer entered the following judgments on the docket:

E. L. Pegram vs. W. L. Whitley and Alice J. Whitley, \$605.09.

E. L. Pegram vs. W. L. Whitley and Alice J. Whitley, \$604.19.

W. L. Pegram vs. George Turner, John Turner and W. L. Whitley, \$652.45.

W. L. Rydar vs. George Turner, John Turner and W. L. Whitley, \$596.71.

In the case of John R. King vs. Anna Hamsher, Attorney C. C. LeFurgee, for the defendant, made a motion to vacate the judgment previously rendered and for leave to plead. Mr. King took judgment by confession on a note which defendant claims was simply accommodation paper, and without consideration. The amount involved is about \$600.

Removal Sale.
Freeman Bros. will vacate their store at 114 Merchant street which they have occupied for the last 17 years and will sell their immense stock of boots and shoes without regard to cost. We expect to move about April 15, 1896. Come and get a bargain.
mch19-d&wt

Dr. T. S. Hoskins, Dentist, Opera House Block, ground floor.
jan24-d&wt

MARRIED.
By Judge Hammer at his office, March 27, James E. Graham and Miss Anna G. Anderson, both of Moberg.

THE GRIM REAPER.

Death of Otto E. Curtis at the Age of 44 Years.

A SKETCH OF HIS BUSY LIFE.

Stricken Down in His Prime, Due to the Grip and Congestion of the Brain—He was An Energetic Merchant.

From Thursday's Daily.

The death of Otto E. Curtis, one of the leading young merchants of Decatur, occurred last evening at 7 o'clock at the family residence, No. 359 West Decatur street, after an illness of fully three weeks. He was first prostrated by a severe attack of the grip which was of such a nature that it would not yield to successful treatment. Congestion of the brain manifested itself Saturday last, and though he was irrational most of the time, the deceased was able at periods to recognize his wife and brother to whom he spoke a few words. Mrs. Curtis was at Rochester, N. Y., visiting her mother a week before her husband was prostrated. She came home Sunday night in response to a telegram bidding her to return. Since Friday Mr. Curtis' illness, because of his prominence in business and social circles, awakened general interest, and frequent inquiries were made to learn of his condition. By his death in the prime of life, Decatur loses one of her most public spirited citizens, a man who was always ambitious to get to the front in his own affairs, and to be among the leaders in any enterprise which would affect the general prosperity of the community. He was the senior member of the jewelry firm of Otto E. Curtis & Bro., his brother, Frank Curtis, being the surviving partner. He had much to do in arranging the recent important improvements made at the store. He was a member of Ionic Lodge, No. 312, A. F. and A. M., Mason Chapter, No. 21, R. A. M., Beauvoir Commandery, No. 9, K. T., and of the Decatur Club.

The deceased was born in Taylorville on February 9, 1853, and was therefore in the 44th year of his age. He was the second son of the late Dr. Ira B. Curtis and wife, and with them removed to this city when a small boy. He was educated in the public schools of the city, but early in life he manifested a desire to engage in business and his first work was as a salesman in a dry goods store on Merchant street which stood about where the Freeman shoe store now is. A few years of that satisfied him, and he entered the jewelry store of S. D. Lilliston which was in the same building on East Main street, now occupied by the Curtis store. Mr. Curtis learned all parts of a jeweler's business and became an expert workman in his line. After obtaining a knowledge of the practical side of the business, he, with the late Benjamin Righter bought the store of Mr. Lilliston and conducted the business under the firm name of Curtis & Righter. Later the junior member of the firm sold his interest and the firm became Curtis & Co., the late Dr. Curtis being a partner in the concern. Afterwards the late Edgar F. Ewing bought into the store and it was continued as Curtis & Ewing. The latter retired from the business on account of his health, and since then the firm has been Curtis & Bro. The business has been constantly expanded through the wise management of the brothers until it is now widely known throughout Central Illinois. In point of being conducted at the same stand, it has a longer record than any other store of the same class in the city.

The deceased had been identified with this business for twenty-six years, and had been interested in the store the greater part of that time. Mr. Curtis was first married in this city September 15, 1874, to Miss Mary Gardiner, who died in June, 1875. Two children, Ralph and Roy, were born to them; the former, aged 18 years, survives his father, the latter having died in infancy. His second marriage was contracted July 12, 1881, when he wedded Miss Ida W. Satterlee at Rochester, N. Y. To them were born two children, Otto E. Curtis, aged 9 years, and Donald Curtis, aged 7 years. He is also survived by his only brother, Frank Curtis who has been associated in business with him for many years and understands its every detail.

The Decatur Nursery Co. has No Agent in Macon County.

Apple trees, 12c each; cherry trees, 33c each; pear, 30c each; peaches, 10 cents each; plums, 35c each; quince, 30c each; apricots, 25c each; gooseberries, 5c per bush; currants, 5c per bush; Concord grapes, 5c; Niagara grapes, 25c; Moore's early grapes, 25c; Pocklington grapes, 25c; diamond grapes, 3 for \$1; strawberry plants, \$4.50 per thousand; raspberry, black, \$7 per thousand; red raspberry, \$5 per thousand; blackberries, \$7 per thousand; dewberries, \$8 per thousand; evergreen, 10 to 75c each; shade trees, 25 to 75c each. The only nursery in the state of Illinois that handles the California popular shade trees. No peddlers to annoy you. Come to the nursery and see the stock and you are always satisfied. You will save from half to three-fourths of the money you will have to invest elsewhere. All stock guaranteed to be as represented. If you cannot come to see me, drop me a line and a price list will be furnished. Office and packing grounds, corner of Jasper and East Wood streets. New telephone.

W. H. and A. L. TANCHER.

March 5th

The Springfield directory, just issued, shows the population of that city to be 42,987.

Just before going to bed, eat a Cascairet candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

EATON-BULLARD.

Wedding at the Home of the Bride Near Warrensburg Wednesday Evening.

The marriage of Miss Maggie Bullard and George Eaton was solemnized Wednesday evening, March 25, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Bullard, near Warrensburg, in the presence of over sixty friends. The officiating clergyman was Rev. E. Newkirk, of the Methodist Episcopal church. The bride pair were attended by Myrtle Wade and Norman, brother of the groom. The wedding march was rendered by Mrs. J. E. Underwood, of Casner. After the ceremony the guests were ushered into the dining room, where they partook of a bounteous repast that can be so well appreciated only on such occasions.

About sixty invited guests were present. Among those from a distance were W. A. Willard, wife and son of Macon; Rev. Harry Willard of Argenta; Mrs. Maggie Cray and daughter, Edith, of Sadorus; James Bullard and family, Ed Bullard and wife, Mr. J. G. Willard, Oren Willard and Miss Charabel Eaton of Decatur; W. and Mrs. J. E. Underwood and daughter, Hazel, of Casner.

A large number of useful and costly gifts were received. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton go to housekeeping at once at the home of the groom, ready prepared for the reception of his bride about four miles southwest of Warrensburg.

A BIG ENTERPRISE.

To Double-Track the Central from Kankakee to Cairo.

It is rumored that at a meeting of the board of directors of the Illinois Central, held in Chicago a day or so ago, it was finally settled to double-track the road from Cairo to Kankakee, there connecting with the double track into Chicago. It is said the work on this great improvement will likely begin within the next few weeks, and that efforts will be made to complete it as soon as possible. It is said the company has purchased much additional dock room at New Orleans, and will erect a large number of elevators for ocean shipment of grain, and that it will carry the bulk of its grain to that point hereafter. It is a known fact that the company has long had under advisement the idea of making a double track from Kankakee to Cairo.

VICKERY VS. VICKERY.

A Story of Cruelty—Application for a Divorce.

In the circuit clerk's office to-day Mrs. Susan Vickery filed a bill for divorce from her husband, James Vickery. The couple were married in Decatur March 9, 1892. The complainant alleges extreme and repeated cruelty; alleging that on one occasion Vickery struck, kicked and choked her and neglected to provide her with necessary clothing and food; that in December, 1894, he knocked her down; that in August, 1894, he struck her with a buggy whip and chased her out of doors without any clothing and threw a bucket of water over her, and kept her out of the house; and that in many ways her life has been made miserable. Complainant alleges that on account of cruelty she has been compelled to live apart from Vickery since October 15, 1894, fearing longer to live with him. Vickery is also charged with adultery. It was represented in the bill that Vickery makes large sums of money, and complainant asks for alimony. The attorneys for Mrs. Vickery are Leforgee & Lee.

Died in Iowa.

The Iowa Falls Sentinel of March 18 contained the following mention of the death of Elias Livergood, a former resident of Decatur:

Elias Livergood was born near Lancaster county, Penn., Aug. 31, 1836. Died at 5:30 p. m. Monday, March 9, 1896, at his home in Iowa Falls, Ia., aged 59 years, 6 months and 8 days.

Those survive him the widow, three sons, S. R., Geo. G., Carl W., and also one daughter, Ethel E., also one sister, Mrs. M. L. Hurley, of Des Moines, Ia., and one brother, Peter, of Kentucky.

He was educated at the Shippensburg and Whitehall academies in Penn. At the age of 17 years he came to the west and engaged in farming near Springfield, Ill. Later he removed to Decatur, Ill., where he was married on Oct. 18, 1860, to Miss Nellie Cutler.

In 1888 he located at Ackley, Ia., but the last 7 years of his life were spent in Iowa Falls.

For years he was an earnest and constant member of the Christian church.

Sales of Real Estate.

S. A. D. Gray to Michael Montgomery, lots 4 and 5 in block 2 of East Park Boulevard—\$1,700.

J. H. Wert to Lodenia Chappelow, lot 12 in block 12 of Carver's addition—\$1,600.

Charles F. Churchman to Thomas J. Ryan, lots 6 and 7, block 4, Montgomery & Shaw's addition—\$1,800.

Herman Schroll to Thomas J. Ryan, lot 6 in block 2, Thomas' subdivision of part of 12 1/2, 2 east—\$1,200.

Charles Pickus to Lucas Zepp, six feet of south side lot 32, and lots 33, 36 and 37, Powers' subdivision of lot 6 in 12 1/2, 2 east; also lot 9 in White & Broth's addition—\$3,000.

Lucas Zepp to Charles Pickus, tracts of land in 12 1/2, 2 east—\$750.

Peter H. Bruck to Effie J. Folz, lot 3 and north half lot 4, block 1, Baker & Prescott's addition—\$500.

Susan C. Hale to Henry W. Fathauer, 160 acres in 17 1/2, 4 east—\$100.

Joseph R. Edmunds to John H. Leonard, lot 6, block 14, Allen, McReynolds & Co.'s addition—\$500.

Mantell Marries His Leading Lady.
Robert Mantell, the actor, was married to Charlotte Dehrens Huhn, his leading lady, by Bishop Fallows yesterday. Mrs. Huhn was granted a divorce from E. F. Huhn the previous day. The actor's first wife obtained a divorce from him two years ago, and he was ordered to pay her \$50 a month alimony. Mr. Huhn has a suit pending for \$125,000 damages against the actor for alienating his wife's affections. There is a tragic shadow hovering over the newly wedded couple, for Huhn has been heard to declare that he would kill Charlotte Dehrens rather than see her the wife of Mantell.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Go to the Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs.
feb24-d&wt

AN APRIL WEDDING.

Dr. Penick, of Springfield, and Miss Jeannette Chambers of this City. Will be Married Shortly After Easter.

An important wedding which is to take place on the evening of April 8, the Wednesday after Easter, is that of Dr. Niles S. Penick, of Springfield, and Miss Jeannette Chambers, of this city. The invitations, about 100 in number, were issued this afternoon. The marriage will occur at 8:30 o'clock at St. John's Episcopal church. The rector, Rev. Frank N. Atkin, will officiate. Miss Chambers will have for her bridesmaids Miss Mary Stafford, Miss Luella Ulrich and Miss Grace Schellbarger. After the ceremony at the church an elaborate reception will be given at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Albert Barnes, on West William street.

Miss Jeannette Chambers is the youngest daughter of Hon. and Mrs. W. B. Chambers, and is a young lady who has a large acquaintance in social circles of both this city and Springfield. She has always taken a prominent part in Decatur society. Dr. Penick is an oculist and is connected with Dr. Prince in the latter's hospital at Springfield. He is well known both in business and social circles.

Funerals To-Day.

The funeral of Scott McGlasson, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. R. O. McGlasson, who was killed in the wrecked building Tuesday, was held this afternoon at the Christian tabernacle. There was a large attendance. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. Geo. F. Hall, and the burial was at Greenwood cemetery.

The funeral of Joseph Taylor, the young man from Belle Plaine, Kansas, who died at St. Mary's hospital, was held today at the residence of Mrs. George Durfee, on West North street. The services were conducted by Rev. W. C. Miller, of the Congregational church and the burial took place at Greenwood cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Fiano Slanker was held at the residence, 1144 West Macon street at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. The officiating minister was Rev. W. H. Penhallegon. The burial was at Greenwood.

The Fourth of July Celebration.

The committee appointed for the purpose by the members of Dunham Post G. A. R., are making arrangements for the Fourth of July celebration. They expect to make it a large affair. Dramatic representations of Revolutionary events will be carried out and many persons will be invited to take part in the entertainment. In the morning there will be a parade of the different societies in the city and in the afternoon the outdoor entertainment will be held. The place has not yet been decided upon. Riverside park is not level enough, and Oakland park is considered too small, so the celebration will probably be held at Fairview park.

Paid \$1000 Life Insurance.

William B. Shrum, the old veteran who died recently, was a member of Bearsdale Lodge, No. 1597, Modern Woodmen of America, and in that organization carried a life insurance policy to the amount of \$1,000, payable to the widow, Mrs. Eliza J. Shrum. Mr. Shrum died on March 10. To-day the clerk of the Bearsdale Camp, Rev. O. B. Hutton, paid the widow \$1,000, the full face of the policy. This sum comes to the widow in a time of need, and is thankfully received by her. There are about 35 members of the Bearsdale Camp of Woodmen.

Romy—Elitott.

Louis H. Romy, of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Mrs. Anna Elliott, of Decatur, were married Thursday at 7 p. m. at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Joseph Farhkopf, 152 West Carro Gordo street. The ceremony was performed by Rev. D. F. Howe in the presence of only a few guests and was followed by a wedding supper. Mr. and Mrs. Romy left last night for their future home near Fort Wayne. Mr. Romy was formerly a freight conductor on the Grand Rapids and Indiana railway.

The Mitchell Held to Answer.

In the office of Justice Hardy last evening the trial of J. R. and Calvin Mitchell on a charge of resisting an officer was concluded, and the justice said he thought sufficient evidence had been offered to warrant him in holding the accused to await the action of the June grand jury. The bail was fixed at \$100 each which was furnished.

DIED.

At the family residence, 615 South Main street, Wednesday evening, March 25, the 3-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Spenser.

The funeral will be held from the residence at 2 p. m. Friday and the remains will be interred at Greenwood cemetery.

Seed Potatoes.

